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Mr. Butler, who represents this district, the Sixth Virginia, in the House of Representatives, said the purpose of the conferences is "to help citizens of retirement age find answers to their questions about the problems of advancing age."

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## *Bedford Bulletin - D* Congress Candidates *Democrat - 9/19/74 -* Report Finances *p. 3B*

Reports filed with the State Board of Elections by the four candidates for Congress in this district, the Sixth Virginia, show that the American Party candidate, Warren Delmer Saunders of Goodview, has spent almost as much on his campaign as the Republican incumbent, M. Caldwell Butler, and nearly 50 per cent more than the Democratic nominee, Paul J. Puckett of Roanoke.

Mr. Saunders, listed on the ballot as an independent, reported he had raised \$13,992, including \$12,000 of his own finances, and spent \$12,915.96.

Congressman Butler said he had collected \$20,498.92 and spent \$13,937.84. All reports cover campaign spending through Aug. 31.

Mr. Puckett reported \$9,070.18 raised, more than half through a personal loan, and \$8,484.60 spent.

Timothy A. McGay of Augusta County, independent, reported he had raised \$150 but hadn't spent anything.



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**Butler's Spokesman Here Sept. 24**

A representative of His representative visits Congressman M. Caldwell Bedford the fourth Tuesday of Butler of the Sixth Virginia District will be in Bedford each month. Municipal Building next Tuesday, Sept. 24, from 8:45 until 10:30 a.m. to meet citizens wishing to discuss problems with the federal government. The meeting in Bedford is one of ten monthly meetings Mr. Butler arranges in the district.



# Butler Charges Politics in Delay on Rockefeller

By MELVILLE CARICO  
Times Political Writer

Rep. M. Caldwell Butler told a hometown Republican audience Thursday night he fears Democrats are trying to delay confirmation of Nelson Rockefeller as vice president "for political reasons."

The outspoken House Judiciary Committee member from Roanoke said if Rockefeller is not confirmed by the

time Congress recesses for the fall campaign he will make this charge.

Rockefeller, Butler said, should be confirmed as quickly as possible because of the importance of the office. It should not be kept vacant because Democrats do not want Rockefeller as vice president out campaigning for Republican candidates for Congress.

Butler is a member of a Ju-

diciary Committee subcommittee that has just finished drafting its proposed rules of procedure for the full committee.

He conceded Congress faces a new issue in the confirmation of Rockefeller because of his enormous wealth.

Normally, Butler said, a nominee would be required to dispose of his holdings to eliminate conflict of interest but if

Rockefeller were to do this the economic consequences would be "disastrous."

Butler said the answer, in Rockefeller's case, lies in "full disclosure" of his wealth.

Butler spoke at a \$10-a-plate appreciation dinner at High Street Baptist Church for Vice Mayor Noel Taylor, pastor of the church, and Councilman Robert Garland. Participants included city GOP Chairman

Calvin McDowell, master of ceremonies, and Del. Ray L. Garland who introduced Butler.

About 100 persons, many of them members of Dr. Taylor's congregation, attended the dinner.

Butler said Congress is dragging its feet and not facing up to legislation it should enact before recessing so House members and the senators

who are up for re-election this year can go home to campaign. He blamed it on the leadership of the Democratic majority.

Butler began his informal talk with a few reflections on the House Judiciary Committee impeachment inquiry and Richard Nixon's resignation.

Butler called the inquiry and resignation a traumatic experience for him.

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## Butler aide plans visit

AMHERST — A representative of Sixth District Rep. M. Caldwell Butler will be at the Amherst Courthouse next Tuesday from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. to meet with area residents wishing to discuss problems they are having with the federal government.

A spokesman in Butler's Washington office asked that any person wishing to discuss a particular problem take along all papers and correspondence dealing with the case, in addition to knowing his veteran's claim and Social Security numbers.



## Democracy?

THE PRESIDENT'S press conference on Monday evening September 16 provided an opportunity for two press representatives to obtain prime-time National Television exposure for the most blatant Communist propaganda disguised as legitimate questions directed to the President.

In the first instance a press representative questioned President Ford concerning the United States involvement in Chile and referred to the Allende Communist dictatorship as a "democracy." The Allende government in Chile expropriated the property of all foreign interests, individual and corporate, confiscated the property of Chilean citizens and corporations, suppressed all freedom of speech, personal, press and electronic media, jailed tens of thousands of dissenting citizens without trial and summarily executed thousands.

Either that reporter is totally ignorant of these facts, has no conception of the meaning of "democracy" or was intentionally voicing Communist propaganda.

In the second instance the President was asked by another press member if the United States had not broken "international law" by attempting to subvert the Allende government and asked if we would condone the Soviet Union doing the same in Canada. This reference to "international law" is ambiguous, but, should such exist it did not deter the Soviet Union from establishing by force and terrorism the same type of government as the Allende Chilean and the Soviet Communist government in the following long and sad litany of formerly free countries: Lithuania, Latvia, Estonia, Poland, East Germany, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Romania, Bulgaria, Albania, Yugoslavia, Cuba, a number of African countries, and their first and most important act of governmental subversion, China.

The President did not correct the impression made on the TV audience by these questions but I believe the press in it's own best interest should do so, as well as publicizing the names and press affiliations of these questioners who so abused the press privilege.

C. N. FREEMAN

Roanoke

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## 'Judge Not'

IF ANYONE had the merest illusion that this is a "Christian" country the conduct of the news media toward Richard Nixon for the past 18 months has completely dispelled any such hope or illusion completely. Absolutely merciless in their judgment of this man to the point that he could not begin to receive even a smattering of fair judgment unless his trial were held in London, Paris or even Moscow instead of Washington, they cry in moral outrage because President Ford has granted him a pardon. I am stunned by the unbelievable malevolence of the liberal news media, these fine men who have been the first to decry social injustice and intolerance in our society!

Apparently the quality of mercy is very strained when it is applied to a man named Richard Nixon. Such unrelieved vindictiveness to anyone in public life is a new phenomenon in this country—and presages a very scary political future for our "so-called" democracy. If every President must dance to the tune of the powerful news organizations or face the threat of being hounded into resignation and disgrace if he refuses, then we've taken a turn for the worst and had better change directions fast.

In the meantime, I refer all you latter-day Savonarolas in the editorial room to an admonition you've ignored pretty liberally during the past year and a half. I'd advise you to take it quite seriously because the law of retribution works—and works very well.

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"Judge not, that ye be not judged. For with what judgment ye judge, ye shall be judged; and with what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you again. And why beholdest thou the mote that is in thy brother's eye, but considerest not the beam that is in thine own eye? Or how wilt thou say to thy brother, Let me pull out the mote out of thine eye; and behold a beam is in thine own eye; Thou hypocrite, first cast out the beam out of thine own eye; and then shalt thou see clearly to cast out the mote out of thy brother's eye."

ALICE H. MOYLAN

Roanoke



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## Rep. Butler gets award

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Staunton, Va., Leader, Tuesday, Sept. 24, 1974

Waynesboro, Va.,

### BUTLER'S REPRESENTATIVE

Miss Mary Frances Whissen, representative of U.S. Rep. M. Caldwell Butler, will be in Staunton City Hall in Council chambers Thursday from 1-5 p.m. to meet with residents.

PRESIDENT FORD said he intends to keep the budget balanced. We should also be thinking and talking about paying on our national debt. We should have a financial committee who will take the money we send them to pay on the national debt.

I am 81 years old. I live alone in a mobile home on my son's 35-acre farm. I was never good at making money but if the President keeps the budget balanced and appoints that kind of committee, then I will take \$1,000 of my money saved and give it to that committee for them to pay on our national debt.

I do not want to give away that much of my savings, but I will do it because I believe paying on that debt is a very, very important matter. The Readers Digest 1974 Almanac lists that debt for 1973 as \$468,426,000,000. On that debt \$1,000 will amount to about as much as one drop of water in a lake.

If one-tenth of our people would give an average of \$1,000 to pay on that debt, that would add up to \$20 billion. This would be a first step toward paying off our national debt.

This would start reducing inflation and would help increase the value of our dollar. It would also give our people a feeling of encouragement. Citizens giving money to pay on the national debt would get the government to also paying on that debt.

The debt amounts to \$2,300 for each of us. This year the interest that we must pay on that debt averages \$160 for every, child, woman and man.



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VIRGINIAN, Waynesboro, Va. Tuesday, September 24, 1974

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Virginians favor  
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p. 7 defense bill

WASHINGTON (AP) — Here is how representatives from Virginia voted Monday when the House approved an \$82.6 billion defense appropriations bill. The final vote was 293-59.

Broyhill, R, yes; Butler, R, yes; Robert Daniel, R, yes; W.C. Daniel, D, yes; Downing, D, yes; Parris, R, yes; Robinson, R, yes; Satterfield, D, yes; Wampler, R, did not vote; Whitehurst, R, yes.

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## State dentists to meet in city

The Virginia Dental Association will meet at Hotel Roanoke this weekend.

Among the speakers for the opening session Saturday will be Sixth District Rep. M. Caldwell Butler and Dr. Lynden M. Kennedy, president-elect of the American Dental Association.

New officers will be elected Sunday.

Also meeting in conjunction with the dental group will be the women's auxiliary, the Virginia Dental Assistant Association (at the Sheraton Motor Inn, Salem) and the Virginia Dental Hygienists Association (at the Patrick Henry Hotel.)



## What Our Readers Think

Dear Editor: I have on this date mailed a letter to Mr. Butler concerning my feelings on the nomination of Nelson Rockefeller for vice-president and also my feelings on judicial follow up concerning Watergate. Perhaps the attached letter (addressed to Mr. Butler) will make the column "What our readers think".

If it is printed please advise people to state their opinions to Mr. Butler because it is necessary in order for people to have their say as to what's going to happen in their future.

I wish to express my dissatisfaction with the nomination of Nelson Rockefeller for vice-president. I feel it is a mistake and not in the country's best interest to involve "big business" in the political process. I feel I share this opinion with many concerned Virginians from Alleghany County.

Thank you for your actions regarding Watergate. My confidence in our political system has been renewed. It is my opinion that justice should run its course and that all guilty persons be prosecuted. Please do not let "Executive Privilege" ruin my recently renewed faith.

Sincerely,

Kenneth M. Huffman, Sgt. USAF  
Awards and Decorations Monitor  
Personal Affairs Section  
Cannon AFB, New Mexico 88101

Dear Editor:

It should be important for us as citizens to know the following information about Governor Rockefeller:

1. To what extent does Governor Rockefeller, members of his family or business associates have financial interest an influence in ABC, CBS or the NEW YORK TIMES?
2. To what extent has Governor Rockefeller, members of his family or business associates made financial contributions to COMMON CAUSE?
3. What is the governor's relationship with the COUNCIL ON FOREIGN RELATIONS and what influence does the council exert on the foreign and domestic policies of the United states?
4. To what extent have the various tax exempt Rockefeller foundations made financial contributions to political campaigns in this country?

Your Congressman is in an important position to secure this information. You may want to suggest that he ask for it. The amount of the Governor's wealth may not be as important as how his wealth may be used in the above mentioned areas.

Sincerely yours,

Fred W. McPeake  
310 Kingston court  
Knoxville, Tenn. 37919



## *Establishment*

FROM THOSE who have been close to the establishment for twenty years, who participated in many of its instruments, and who were permitted to study its secret records for two years, we learn some of the following facts:

That a world money power exists which has been the major element of control in the two political parties since 1900; that the group wishes to remain unknown; that its aim was a world system of economic power which would control the political system of each country and the economy of the world as a whole.

This control is by agreements between the privately owned central banks of each major nation, arrived at in secret meetings, without interference from governments.

When this world system reaches its goal and all nations are combined, there will be little or no difference in their standards of living. We are now experiencing a radical reduction in our standard of living through the high prices of inflation which is controlled by the privately owned Federal Reserve Bank.

Following a secret meeting of a Rockefeller group with Soviet leaders in 1971, our dollar was devalued within 30 days and again in six months. This gave the Communists a tremendous advantage in the rapidly expanding trade between the United States and the Soviets.

Continued foreign aid to other nations raises their standard at our expense.

Our source of information also states that the two parties should be almost identical, so that the American people can "throw the rascals out" at any election without shifting policy. This socialistic policy has continued without any major change since the Roosevelt administration.

The only way to stop this road to destruction is to break the Democrat-Republican control in the Congress which legalizes the programs designed by the Rockefeller-dominated Eastern establishment.

A vote for Warren D. Saunders on November 5 will be a vote against this establishment.

Roanoke

ERMINIE K. WRIGHT

9-25-74 WN





# The Forum



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THE NEWS

## Defends Butler, Asks Vernon To Return To Party

Editor of The News:

I am confused and dejected over Mr. Victor Vernon's resignation from the Lynchburg Republican Committee because of Caldwell Butler's vote to impeach Richard Nixon. His action prompts me to appeal to his good sense of reasoning and hopefully get him to change his mind.

President Nixon had my full support and confidence until Caldwell voted to impeach. In fact, I seriously considered sending Butler a telegram on the day before the vote was taken urging him to vote NO. My better judgment convinced me that he was at the scene of action and would do whatever was necessary to carry out his responsibility as a member of the Judicial Committee and as a Congressman. I concluded that the question was not how Caldwell would vote but how he would have to vote. My prayer was that Nixon would be innocent of any wrongdoing and the vote would take care of itself. Such was not the case and when the vote was taken it was the beginning of a new

ball game.

Victor, I would like to propose a hypothetical question to you. If you were sitting in the bleachers at a ball game, would you leave your seat and go home because the umpire called the runner out sliding into home, when he was standing over the plate? Knowing Butler as I do, when he called Nixon out, he was out. He was standing over the plate and had a much better view than you and I. Evidence that has since come to light, even the admission of wrongdoing from Nixon himself, has justified Butler's vote. If Butler was convinced Nixon was guilty as charged and did not vote his conviction, would he not have been guilty himself of obstructing justice and of being a party to the coverup? You know it took a lot of guts for Butler to vote against Nixon who had been such a good friend to him. I am convinced he had no choice. Maybe you and I have tried to equate Watergate with wrongdoings that other high officials, with the help

of the liberal news media, have managed to sweep under the rug. Some have gotten away with murder! Of course, Watergate does not compare except in stupidity. If Butler's charge had been to deal with Nixon by comparison, it would have been quite different. Instead, he had a sworn obligation to do his duty. As unpleasant as it was, thank God he was man enough to do it.

Many times in the past you have made your views known through The Forum of The News. You have stood mighty tall in defending the GOP when the going was tough. Because of Watergate, the road is awfully rough again. More than ever your fighting spirit is needed by the home team. Many people are concerned, so I am sending this to The News. Hopefully, it will appear in the Forum with a favorable response through the same channel forthcoming from you.

C. RUSSELL BURNETTE  
P. O. Box 6  
Rustburg

MY FAITH in my national government was shaken again last week due to the activities of the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Central Intelligence Agency. The FBI was severely tongue lashed in the Wounded Knee trial by Judge Nichol for not telling the truth about the electronic surveillance and for not giving the defense proper documents to which they were entitled. After the Harrisburg and Camden trials, the death of Hoover, Gray and Watergate, one would think that the FBI under Clarence Kelley would not engage in questionable or illegal activities. This apparently is not the case.

The shenanigans of the CIA in Chile's political affairs are a disgrace and in sharp contrast to our stated Latin American foreign policy. Similar to the FBI, the CIA was employed in the domestic political scandals during the Nixon years to the detriment of the agency.

What is needed is a complete investigation of these covert, para-level government bureaus to guarantee that they can operate effectively within a democratic society. A complete self-study, an external investigation and effective congressional control is a minimum that should be required. If this is not done, I will have little faith in these two losers which are dangerous to a society which stresses the rights of individuals.

JAMES B. ST. LEGER  
Lynchburg

*James*

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ministration, Veterans' Administration, Valley Program for Aging Services, Railroad Retirement Board and the Virginia Supplement Retirement Program will discuss the services offered by their agencies. The Rockbridge Area Social Services Department will be represented by its director, Mrs. Betty McClure.

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## Butler Speaks At Meeting To Inform Senior Citizens

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Also addressing the conference was William Aiken of Lynchburg, the executive director of Family Services. He stated that the main thrust of the conference dealt with "plans to implement a central Virginia commission on aging."

"We want to promote awareness of the problems of senior citizens, which include health care, transportation, recreation, social service and education."

Mr. Aiken commented about the "excellent response" of the 140 people attending. "Most of them were concerned with benefits and inflation. Most of the questions were financially oriented." He added that one of the main concerns was to get the senior citizen to investigate what he or she is entitled to.

Representatives from the Social Security Administration, the Veterans Administration, the Bedford County Welfare Department, the Railroad

Retirement Board, and Mr. Butler's staff were also present at the conference.

One of those attending said that "the benefits of the meeting were very good and there should be more of them."

An additional meeting was held in Lynchburg the same day

## Butler accuses Democrats of delaying hearing

WASHINGTON—Rep. Caldwell Butler has again said Democrats are holding up the confirmation of Nelson Rockefeller on purpose and he has called for the House Judiciary Committee to start hearings.

Butler, like some other Republicans, thinks the Democrats are holding up hearings on Rockefeller's nomination to be vice president to keep him from campaigning this fall.

Butler was joined by several other Republicans and one Democrat in calling for hearings soon, but Rep. Peter Rodino, committee chairman, said the committee hasn't all the information it needs.

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# Butler Calls on Committee To Start Rockefeller Probe

By JACK BETTS  
Times Washington Bureau  
WASHINGTON — U. S. Rep. M. Caldwell Butler, R-Va., Wednesday urged his colleagues on the House Judiciary Committee to begin hearings immediately on the confirmation of Nelson A. Rockefeller to be vice president, but the committee showed no inclination to confirm the former New York governor before the November elections.

That, Butler confided later, confirmed his suspicions that Democrats are holding up the nomination to keep Rockefeller off the campaign trail.

"Looks like a partisan thing to me," Butler said later after judiciary chairman Peter Rodino, D-N.J., deftly headed off sentiment toward beginning hearings quickly.

Butler told the 38-member committee that he was "not impressed by the logic" of those who would move slowly on the nomination since the

new vice president would be the second top national official holding office without being elected by the populace.

"It's far more important that we proceed (with the confirmation) while we have a Congress that is answerable to the people," Butler declared, "Rather than a lame duck Congress that is not answerable to anyone."

He said he would be willing to give up at least part of his congressional recess for the Nov. 5 elections to get the nomination approved by the committee rather than waiting until after the elections when at least some members will have been defeated.

Butler said he believed the committee had acquitted itself very well in the confirmation of then-Rep. Gerald Ford last year to be vice president and also in the impeachment inquiry of former President Nixon.

Declaring that the stature of the Judiciary Committee in

the eyes of the nation had risen in the past year, Butler argued that the hearings should commence without delay "to avoid suggestions that we are delaying to keep Mr. Rockefeller off the hustings."

Butler was joined in his plea for dispatch by several Republicans as well as one Democrat, Rep. John F. Seiberling of Ohio, but Rodino maintained that the committee did not have all necessary materials available yet and declared the panel would move with deliberation in the proceedings.

Translated, that meant the committee would not be able to approve Rockefeller's nomination before the election break.

Butler later said he had been considering the nation's needs in situations like the present one and came to the conclusion that suggestions for a national special election to choose a new vice president would be foolish.

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James*

## About Amnesty

IN YOUR EDITORIAL "Mr. Ford on Amnesty" on Sept. 21 you made several comments and projected feelings that I find very helpful. Your comment concerning honest objectors in contrast to cowards is something I feel we often overlook. Thank you.

CLYDE CARTER, Pastor  
Daleville Church  
of the Brethren

9/24/74  
Daleville *James*

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## Watershed A Step Closer

A major hurdle in the Buffalo River Watershed project for Amherst County was crossed Tuesday when the Subcommittee on Water Resources of the House Public Works Committee approved the project.

The subcommittee had been expected to report favorably to the full House Public Works Committee yesterday, but the committee postponed its meet-

ing.

Congressman M. Caldwell Butler's office said approval by the subcommittee was a major step in the project becoming a reality.

After the committee's meeting was canceled, his office said there is still hope that the committee will meet before Congress recesses around the middle of October.

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## Noted Congressman Coming

### To Help Butler Campaign

One of the most widely known and picturesque members of the House of Representatives will come to Bedford County next week to take part in a fund raising reception for Representative M. Caldwell Butler, the Republican incumbent for the Sixth Virginia District seat in Congress.

Rep. Wilmer D. Mizell of North Carolina will take part in the reception in honor of Rep. Butler at "The Homestead," just off Route 221 in the Forest area Friday Sept. 27. This will be a \$25 a couple affair and will last from 6:30 to 8:30 p. m. It will be preceded by a news conference with Mizell at the Lynchburg Airport at five o'clock.

#### "Vinegar Bend"

Rep. Mizell was nationally known in the 1960's as "Vinegar Bend" Mizell, a left handed pitcher for the St. Louis Cardinals of the National League. A major league pitcher, his nickname was derived from his hometown in North Carolina.

Now he is serving his third term in the House, representing the Fifth North Carolina District, that around Winston-Salem. One of the first Republicans to break the formerly solid front of Democrats in the North Carolina delegation.

This reception is for Mr. Butler's supporters in Bedford City and County and also the Lynchburg area. George H. Fralin is reception chairman, and Dr. Freeman Jenrette, chairman of the Bedford County GOP Committee, and Eugene Templeton, head of the Bedford City Committee, are among those assisting Mr. Fralin.

During his baseball career Mr. Mizell played in the Piedmont League, which included teams in Lynchburg and Roanoke.

Since being elected to Congress in 1968, Rep. Mizell has served on the House Committees on Agriculture and Public Works and is the ranking Republican on the subcommittee on tobacco.

#### Treasury Watchdog

In both the 91st and 92nd

Congresses, he won "Watchdog of the Treasury" awards.

Others assisting Chairman Fralin are John D. Doyle, treasurer; Carroll Freeman, unit chairman; Mrs. Robert Huntington, secretary of the city committee, and C. DuVal Holt, Jr., chairman of arrangements, all of Lynchburg; Rex Pixley, Amherst; Martha Clement, Randolph-Macon Woman's College, and Norman Kinnear, Lynchburg College.



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## Electricity bills

MY MAIN CONCERN today is the rising cost of electricity. Ominous clouds loom on the horizon as the experts keep telling us, "There is no way we can continue to have cheap electricity . . . and it is frightening to hear of \$300 and \$400 electric bills! It isn't that bad in this area yet, but if our electric bills keep up a steady increase, we will have to begin doing without some things or letting other bills go.

I am not just an isolated incident: I am one among many. This is not good for our nation's economy.

We have been spoiled. We have become used to relying on and enjoying the things we plug in and turn on, and the electric companies know we will pay almost anything to keep our little electric "trinkets" . . . just like the fuel industry found out we would pay almost any price to run our autos and heat our homes.

So I am yelling HELP to those whom I believe can do something before it's too late . . . like Caldwell Butler and the State Corporation Commission.

Salem

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BETTY G. CHANDLER

## Republicans Plan Precinct Canvass

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Lynchburg City Republican Committee in conjunction with the local M. Caldwell Butler campaign headquarters will canvass Precincts II-4 and II-5 Saturday.

Students and other volunteers will conduct a door-to-door survey of the Fort Hill area precincts from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. to determine what issues voters feel are important and learn of any eligible persons who are not registered to vote in the Nov. 5 election.

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Letters to the editor

## Liberals charged with ruthlessness

ONE OF the interesting phenomena of politics is the great vindictiveness of the liberal. While he piously bleeds for convicted rapists, murderers or arsonists, he cannot be assuaged with anything short of a lengthy prison sentence for ex-President Nixon.

Now no one would benefit from a long trial leading to the utter degradation and ruin of Mr. Nixon . . . other, perhaps than lawyers and stockholders in the news media. Yet our semi-Socialists, those champions of compassion, understanding and love, will not be happy with less.

Inside every liberal, apparently, there lurks the ruthlessness of a Robespierre, the self-righteousness of a Lenin.

Moral: Never incur the animus of liberals. Instead, laugh at them. Having no sense of humor, they don't know how to respond.

F. A. KUMMER

Roanoke

### *Let's end hate*

IT IS MOST distressing to read in these columns examples of hate such as have appeared in recent days. My heart aches for those who have been writing to condemn President Ford for his pardon of former President Nixon.

Hate is written in every sentence. How can people of a Christian nation, such as ours is supposed to be, even think such things, let alone write them?

Look at it this way. Mr. Nixon has been tried and convicted in the eyes of many people as much as if he had been taken into court. He is suffering incomparable punishment from deprivation seldom experienced by any man. What good would it do to conduct another hate campaign? Remember this: He is not the first president of the United States who has been hated and literally forced from office. The wonder to me is that any man would aspire to an office that positively wrecks him mentally and physically.

Each of us should look at our own actions before we seek to condemn others.

MRS. V. B. WRIGHT

Salem

### *'Christian charity'*

HASN'T ANY of our church leaders . . . hasn't any of our political leaders . . . hasn't any of our newspaper editors . . . hasn't any of our teachers . . . hasn't any of our ordinary citizens enough Christian charity left to say that President Ford's pardon of Nixon was a kind and decent thing to do?

DON A. PEREGOY

Roanoke

### *Swiftiness is all*

RE: THE Nixon pardon—"If 'twere done, 'twere well 'twere done quickly."

STORER P. WARE JR.

Roanoke

### *Tax break needed*

A TAX BREAK for the elderly has been needed for some time. Other states have it. And we older people have our good city councilmen to thank.

However I believe there has been an oversight on this particular part of the real estate tax break: A break for totally disabled home owners. Some of the people are also on fixed incomes, many below \$4,000 a year. People who are disabled are unable to do any kind of home upkeep, therefore it costs them more financially to have their grass mowed and other necessary jobs done.

A well person, 65 and over, can perform light duty. Also a disabled person has to have medicine and other necessities of life to live and, again, the cost is greater.

So please Messrs. Councilmen reconsider. Those of us who are disabled are on fixed incomes, please contact your delegate, Vic Thomas, who is working very hard on this project to help you, and get this through the General Assembly fast.

H.B. BROWN

Roanoke



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## Urges stronger GOP

# Mizell stumps for Butler

A North Carolina congressman Friday urged area Republicans to keep up their efforts to strengthen the two-party system in the South.

"Vinegar Bend" Mizell, a former major league baseball player turned congressman, told listeners gathered at a reception for Rep. M. Caldwell Butler that the Republican Party has made "great inroads" in the South.

And he added, "Don't quit now" to supporters of Butler assembled at the Homestead in Forest. Butler is running for his second term in Congress from Virginia's Fifth District. Mizell was elected to Congress from North Carolina's Fifth District in 1968.

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## Conference Set For The Elderly

A Senior Citizen Information Conference will be held at 11:45 a.m. Monday at Ingleside, Staunton.

Representatives from the Social Security Administration, Veterans Administration, Virginia Supplemental Retirement System, Welfare Department and Railroad Retirement Board and Valley Program for Aging Services, Inc., will be present to discuss services of their agencies and answer questions.

Senior citizens desiring transportation to the conference may call 942-3838.



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—Fred Knight Photo

**BUTLER RECEPTION** — Attending reception at Homestead Friday night for Rep. M. Caldwell Butler, center, Republican candidate for re-election from Sixth

District, were George Fralin, left, Butler's campaign chairman, and Rep. Wilmer "Vinegar Bend" Mizell of North Carolina's Fifth District.



## PRAISE FOR BUTLER

# Push Efforts To Bolster Dixie GOP, Says Mizell

By GARY KEARNS  
News Staff Writer

"Vinegar Bend" Mizell, a former major league baseball player and now a congressman from North Carolina, said here Friday night that Republicans in the South should not cease in their efforts toward strengthening the two-party system.

Mizell, speaking at the Homestead in Forest at a reception for Rep. M. Caldwell Butler, said the Republican Party has made "great inroads" to establish a strong two-party system in the South. "Don't quit now," he urged.

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## Inflation: It Cannot Go On Endlessly

Editor of The News:

Inflation is caused by government to finance deficit spending, which overflows into the market. Its effects are an illusory boom period marked by unwarranted speculation and malinvestments, rises in prices and wages, and wastages of limited natural resources. (Shortages are caused by wageprice controls.)

It cannot go on endlessly.

The attendant depression, paradoxically, is characteristic of an economy's transitional return to freedom and rationality, no matter how painful the readjustment to actual conditions might be. According to Webster's, it is marked by: "Reduction in amount, quality or force; as, a phase of the business cycle marked by industrial and commercial stagnation, scarcity of goods and money, low prices, and mass unemployment." (It is interesting also to note of the psychological state of depression, keeping in mind

that it is an effect and a sign of suffering and pain.)

In our period of runaway inflation, there are two alternatives — depression to remedy, or continued inflation to destruction.

Continued inflation means increasing government intervention and controls, until the country has been completely trans-

formed in to a totalitarian regime, or socialism; in which case there will be stagnation, privation, retrogression and warfare into another Dark Age—the only difference being that mankind will be dominated by mystics of muscle instead of spirit.

But the process of deterioration takes time; it is brought about by pressure group warfare, especially labor unions. The unions will want prices to be reduced but not wages; businessmen must have lower wages or they'll be forced to lay off a greater number of workers, or even go out of business (unless the government subsidizes them). The political expediency of the problem, pragmatically, will be compromise . . . and so the direction of destruction.

It will be an arduous battle, and , if reason and morality lose, so will this country.

ASA L. COLEMAN

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Big Island

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# The Forum



## Urges Opposition To Horses On Appalachian Trail

Editor of The News:

—And to everyone who is interested in saving the Appalachian Trail from horse riders on Hickory Stand:

I urge you to protest by mail to: the President of the Natural Bridge Appalachian Trail Club, Box 3156, Lynchburg, Va. 24503; and also to the District Ranger, Glenwood District, Jefferson National Forest, Natural Bridge Station, Virginia, 24578, and to the Writer below.

You may also go in person on Sat., Sept. 21, from 1 p.m. to 9 p.m. to Campbell Ville Campground via Arcadia or Peaks of Otter and Powell's Gap at milepost 89. For that is where the formal announcement of the approval of horse riders on Hickory Stand will take place. All of Virginia's hiking clubs will be there!

For over half a century dedicated members of the

Appalachian Trail Conference and the A. T. Clubs have labored to establish and protect this trail. Now our local club would give away what does not belong to it, to horse riders. This disastrous action brings to mind the Russian who says, "What's mine is mine, what's yours is negotiable." In negotiating this giveaway to horse riders, the keepers of the Appalachian Trail and the appointed federal officers have betrayed their duty to protect the Trail's sacred corridor. That 2-mile corridor is the Trail's only real protection against the introduction of thoroughly incompatible developments like trails for the transportation type sports of horse riding and motorcycling within that corridor.

On the other hand those two transportation type sports could earn their

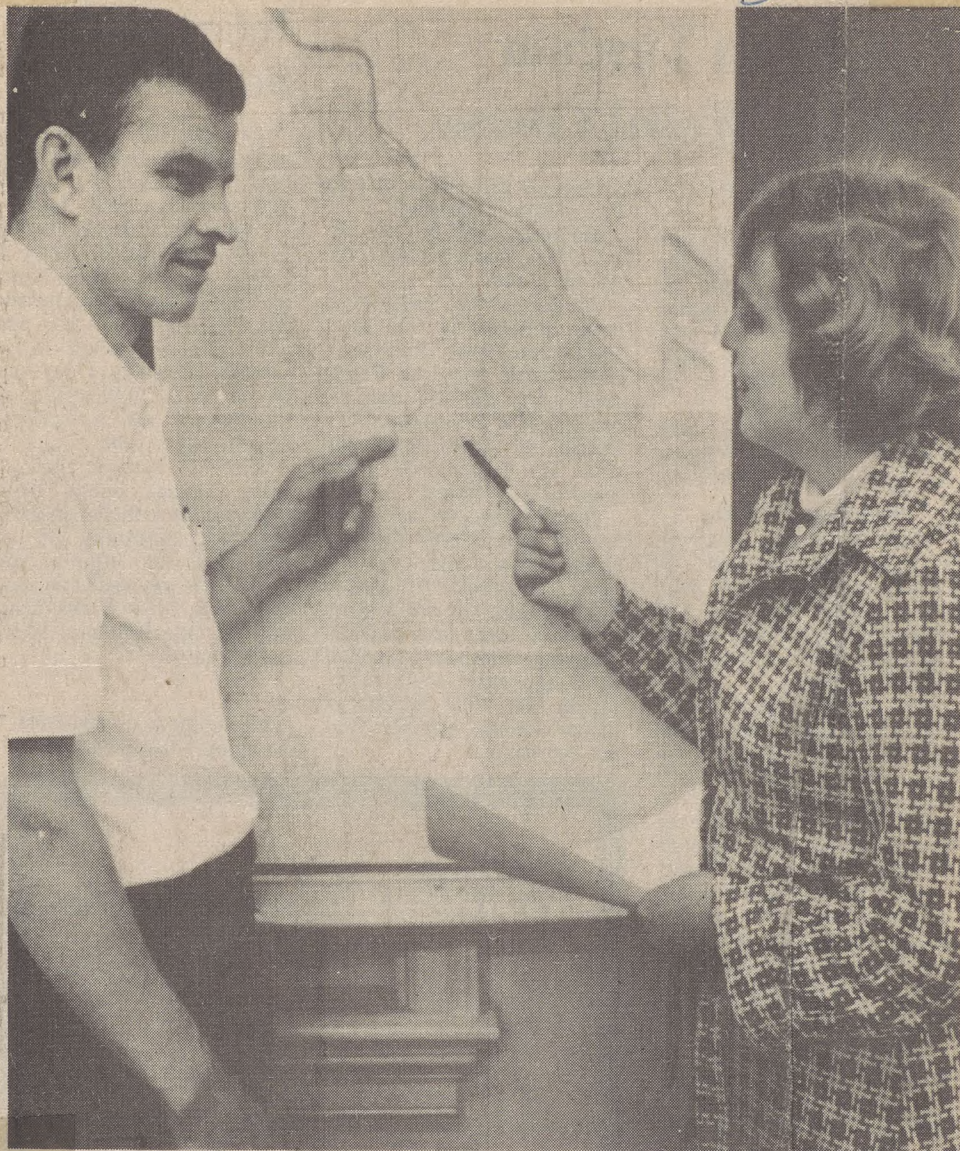
rights to use other abandoned forest roads for their trails. Instead they are lured to the big overadvertised name of the Appalachian Trail.

Really, what is the Hickory Stand area? It is a narrow ridge between two hilltops. Around and between them winds a fire trail now coveted by horse riders. It crosses the Appalachian Trail three times in less than 2 miles. In addition five of our Blue Blaze Trails come into the Appalachian Trail on Hickory Stand. Moreover the vulnerable marble spring water and shelter are connected by other roads to the fire trail. It is unthinkable and unacceptable to introduce more traffic into this area above the water! I hope you agree!

ALFRED C. BISHOP  
4715 Boonsboro Rd.  
Lynchburg



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—Wyatt Mays Photo

**ORGANIZE CANVASS** — Charles J. Baroch, vice chairman of precinct organization for Lynchburg Republican Party, and Lucy Lee Wilkins, chairman of voter registration, mark areas canvassed Saturday by students and other volunteers. Purpose of canvass was to learn what issues voters feel are important and discover persons not registered to vote in Nov. 5 general election. Canvass was sponsored by Lynchburg City Republican Committee and local Butler campaign headquarters.



## Butler will speak at CVPDC banquet

Sixth District Rep. M. Caldwell Butler will be keynote speaker at the Central Virginia Planning District Commission's annual dinner meeting on Oct. 12.

Margaret Webring, CVPDC public affairs specialist, said today the congressman has not announced his topic so far.

Warren A. Otey of Bedford, former CVPDC chairman, and Executive Director William Hibbert III will present an annual report on the previous fiscal year that ended in June.

William F. Overacre of Campbell County, current commission chairman, will present awards to those who have greatly contributed to CVPDC activities in the past year.

Mrs. Webring said the 6:30 p.m. event will be held at the Holiday Inn North for planning district commissioners, CVPDC staff, chairman and vice chairmen of commission committees and guests.

The CVPDC is a regional planning body representing the cities of Lynchburg and Bedford and Amherst, Appomattox, Campbell and Bedford counties.

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## Problems concerning senior citizens aired at conference

"Gray Power" asserted itself at U.S. Rep. M. Caldwell Butler's senior citizens information conference Monday at Ingleside, but questions and comments from those in attendance indicated they were not of one mind on the issues.

The conference attracted 180 persons to what was billed as an opportunity "to help citizens of retirement age find answers to their questions about the problems of advancing old age".

Rep. Butler wasn't able to attend, but he was represented by his administrative aide, Charles Wilson. Mr. Wilson introduced panelists from various federal and state governmental organizations, who briefly discussed the services offered by their agencies.

In addition, Susan Aheron, an assistant on Rep. Butler's staff, detailed the current status in Congress of legislation benefiting the elderly. She mentioned that:

Legislation co-sponsored by Rep. Butler to increase the earnings limitation of Social Security beneficiaries under the age of 72 from \$2,400 to \$7,500 is unlikely to be considered by the House Committee on Ways and Means until next year "due to time limitations";

Legislation is pending before the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs that will provide a pension for all World War I veterans without regard to disability or income;

Recently-passed legislation restructuring the railroad retirement system is awaiting a vote in the House on a Senate amendment;

All of the proposed national health insurance plans before a Congressional committee retain Medicare.

A question and answer period ensued, and attention once again was focused on the benefits of various programs for senior citizens. Some questions concerned personal problems, such as why a check wasn't coming regularly.

After about 15 minutes of questioning, Paul C. Shirey of 10 College Circle arose "to make an observation" as he put it.

"All of these programs are inflationary," Mr. Shirey said. "Everybody has his own pet peeve. If everybody keeps on asking the government to help him, there won't be a thing left." He sat down to the loudest applause of the day.

Mr. Wilson responded by noting that excessive federal spending is one of the causes of inflation and this was one of the major concerns of Rep. Butler. He added that there will have to be cuts in expenditures.

On the other hand, the proposal which is now being considered in Washington to increase the federal gasoline tax 10 cents a gallon as an anti-inflationary move was

voted down by a voice vote among the group. Mr. Wilson said he would convey the message to Rep. Butler that it was unanimous. There was one dissenting vote, however.

Miss Aheron said Rep. Butler "is not excited about this idea at all because it would put such a burden on retired people and people who have to use automobiles for their work".

The panelists remained after the formal program for a social hour and were available for individual consultation.

Agencies represented at the conference were: the Veterans' Administration, Valley Program for Aging Services, Railroad Retirement Board, Department of Welfare, Social Security Administration and the Virginia Supplemental Retirement System.





PANELISTS FOR the Senior Citizens Information Conference at Ingleside yesterday spoke to 250 senior citizens, giving them information about available services. From left are Charles Wilson, administrative assistant to Rep. M. Caldwell Butler, who sponsored the conference; Donald

Driver of the Department of Welfare; Hugh Tankersley (who substituted for Joseph Pace) of the Railroad Retirement Board; Doris Anne Miller of the Valley Program for Aging Services, Inc.; and Thomas B. Royer of the Veterans Administration. (N-V Photo by Smith)

## Senior Citizens Oppose Federal Gas Tax Boost

By N-V Staff Writer

STAUNTON — Rep. M. Caldwell Butler's staff conducted a Senior Citizens Information Conference for him yesterday in the absence of the congressman who was unable to leave his duties in Washington.

But the approximately 250 senior citizens attending sent him a "100 per cent message." At the end of the session during a question and answer period the group went on record as opposing the 10 cent increase in gasoline tax being considered by the federal government.

The panelists spent the first hour telling the senior citizens what is available to them through government programs and the senior citizens in turn asked questions about their personal difficulties with the programs and also voiced their opinions on other things.

One gentleman said, "The little man is out of business, now it looks like the big manufacturer is going out of business. Paper money won't buy anything because it is not worth anything." And he went on, "The law keeps you from getting your animals butchered. (He did not elaborate here.) And feed is so high you couldn't feed a cow and milk her. All of this stuff is getting us further into inflation. After they (the government) get the tax they don't know how to spend it."

After a pause, he said, "I remember when we had no tax and it was better."

Charles Wilson, administrative assistant to Rep. Butler, said that it is the feeling

of the congressman that there is excessive spending by the federal government and he is in favor of immediate cuts.

Another gentleman who was having trouble with Social Security benefits had a discussion with Gerald Fawley of the Staunton SS Administration and finally said, "In other words, if you have trouble check with the local service." Mr. Fawley said, "Sir, I am the local service."

Still another gentleman said, "I have one request: that the government leave me alone and I will support them. They are not supporting me."

Mr. Fawley discussed the Social Security Program which handles "contributions" from both employee and employer and the Supplemental Security Income for the blind, aged and disabled which is financed through general taxes.

Donald Driver of Verona of the Department of Welfare said that his department's job is to help folks in the community in need of help and to help them find the services they need. He said that the department handles the screening program for Medicaid and food stamps and has a program of auxiliary grants for individuals whose needs are not quite met by SSI.

He said that the department also helps individuals stay in their own homes and in some instances on a limited basis provides domiciliary care.

Miss Susan Aheron of Mr. Butler's office discussed pending legislation such as Social Security legislation, veterans

affairs, proposed tax relief for the aging, and the national health insurance which is being discussed.

Hugh Tankersley, who substituted for Joseph Pace of the Railroad Retirement Board, discussed the benefits provided retirees of the railroad and their dependents.

Mrs. Doris Anne Miller, executive director of the Valley Program for Aging Services, Inc., said that her board is engaged in planning programs for the aging and developing services not provided through other agencies. She said the board also works with the nutrition program which is under the direction of Dr. Dorothy Rowe of Madison College.

Mrs. Miller said that senior citizens involved with the Senior Service Centers are now making \$2,500 a month through craft work with Handicraft Marketing Service, income supplement program, and sub-contract work with Valley Workshop, Inc. Included also for the senior citizens are social events and special events.

M. A. Taylor spoke for the Virginia Supplemental Retirement System and said that a quarter of a million state employees or public school teachers are covered under this system.

Thomas B. Royer of the Veterans Administration said that hospitals are maintained at Salem, Richmond and Hampton and that because there are half a million veterans it sometimes is impossible to take care of all those who apply for admission. He said that if a veteran thinks he is entitled to some type of compensation, pension or service that he should apply for it because "nothing is automatic in veterans benefits; you must make a claim."

All of the panelists, including C. Leonard Smith of the SSI program, remained following the conference to answer individual questions.

Congressman Butler has been sponsoring the conferences in the Sixth District at various cities to provide information for the senior citizens.



# Expo assured of \$400,000 government loan

FISHERSVILLE — Augusta Expo officials have been assured of a \$400,000 government loan which will be used in consolidating their debt with area banks.

Expo President George A. Beam said Tuesday night that the money is available at a 5 per cent interest rate from Farmers Home Administration. It will be based on a 25-year repayment schedule.

There had been considerable delay in approval of the FHA loan in Washington, but Mr. Beam explained that such loans are usually set up for municipalities instead of non-profit agencies, such as Augusta Expo.

Certain stipulations are attached to the loan—the main one being that an agreement must be obtained from the Staunton Purebred Pavilion Association in

which the Verona sales property would be turned over to Expo within a reasonable time.

Plans call for construction of a livestock sales pavilion on the Expo site here, which Mr. Beam estimated Tuesday night will cost about \$110,000.

It is expected that about \$45,000 could be realized from the Verona property, leaving \$70,000 to \$80,000 to be raised through other methods—new memberships and possibly a booster livestock sale.

"I think we are prepared to go along with you," stated G. Dayton Hodges, secretary-treasurer of the Staunton Purebred Pavilion Association. He did say it will take from six to eight months to close out the building at Verona. The

association has sales commitments extending through March.

The Arbor Hill purebred Angus breeder said he favored a "booster" sale that would totally benefit Expo's proposed building project. In fact, he promised a purebred animal for the sale last night.

The community auction not only would include cattle—livestock producers might also give sheep, hogs, dairy cows, and possibly horses. It was hinted that \$25,000 might be raised through this method.

Mr. Beam explained that there is no time limit in closing out the FHA loan, as long as the agreement is reached with the purebred sales association and other legal aspects are met.

In making the official announcement,

the Expo President had high praise for U.S. Reps. Caldwell Butler and Kenneth Robinson, U.S. Sens. Harry F. Byrd Jr. and William Scott, and Dels. A. R. Giesen Jr. and J. Marshall Coleman. He said these men were responsible for reviving the FHA loan in Washington.

Donald Hanger and Mark Pace, co-chairman of Expo 74, which drew a crowd of about 45,000 last month, commended the people who helped put the fair on and called the event a "resounding success". "You couldn't buy the talent that it took to put Expo 74 on," added Mr. Hanger.

Total receipts amounted to \$56,710.50 for the week, reported fair treasurer Leon Sheets. Mr. Sheets noted that gate receipts totaled \$28,749.72. About \$4,500 was

realized as Expo's share of the money taken in for rides.

Special entertainment cost \$11,050 and nearly \$2,000 was spent in prizes for tractor and horse pulling contests. Premiums paid, including purchase of ribbons, amounted to \$4,316.

Mr. Sheets, who resigned as treasurer last night and was replaced by Larry Staples, reported expenses of \$37,903 to date. Fair officials said they hope to clear about \$15,000 on the event.

Augusta County Deputy Sheriff Eddie Meeks, who was in charge of security at Expo, said 340 manhours were expended and that about \$930 was spent for employing off-duty policemen to patrol the grounds.

He commended the fair crowds for their

behavior and reported that no one was arrested during the week.

John Ashby cited the need for professional help in publishing the fair catalog next year.

Al Charles, publicity committee chairman, said about \$6,500 was spent in advertising and that Staunton was the greatest drawing area, based on registration of names of fairgoers by an independent food store.

Ten civic clubs had food stands at the fair and profits ranged from \$400 to about \$2,000.

During the "debriefing" session, it was pointed out that prizes should be considered for commercial exhibits and premiums for household and domestic entries should be increased.





STUDYING A TOPIC at the senior citizens' information conference held Monday morning at Lejeune Hall are (from left) James A. Kempfer and Joseph Moore, both of Buena Vista, Betty J. McClure, director of the Rockbridge Social Services Department, and Charles Wilson, administrative assistant for 6th District Rep. M. Caldwell Butler, who sponsored the conference. staff photo by Hartley

## Senior Citizens Ask Panel About Benefits

A large group of area senior citizens attended an information conference held specifically for them at Virginia Military Institute Monday morning.

Problems of obtaining veterans' and Social Security benefits were brought up at the conference, which was sponsored by 6th District Rep. M. Caldwell Butler and held at Lejeune Hall.

Butler was unable to attend the conference because of his congressional duties. An administrative assistant, Charles Wilson, was moderator of the panel discussion.

At the start of the conference each panel member briefly discussed his specialty, and later the audience asked the panelists questions relating to their

fields. Following this period was a social hour during which those attending were able to confer individually with panel members.

On the panel were Susan Aheron of Butler's office, M. A. Taylor of the Virginia Supplement Retirement Program, Thomas Boyer of the Veterans Administration, Joseph Pace of the Railroad Retirement Board, William Giles of the Social Security Administration, Doris Ann Miller of the Valley Program for Aging Services and Betty J. McClure of the Rockbridge Area Social Services Department.

The conference, which was attended by approximately 60 area persons, "went very well," according to Mrs. McClure. "Many pertinent questions were asked."

"One question that struck me was from a World War II veteran who said he believed most veterans' benefits were aimed at World War I or Vietnamese war veterans," Mrs. McClure said. She said the VA representative explained that educational benefits were available for eight years after a World War II veteran's service; and if the veteran had no service-incurred disability, the benefits were not now available to him.

Other questions centered on Social Security benefits, Mrs. McClure said, and were particularly concerned with how benefits are determined by income.

Augusta County Del. A.R. "Pete" Giesen, who is also a candidate this fall for the state senate, spoke briefly at the conference.



# 'Conditions' Outlined For Augusta Expo Loan

The long-awaited \$400,000 loan for Augusta Expo is expected to be approved if the organization agrees to conditions set out by the Farmers Home Administration.

Expo applied for the \$400,000 loan earlier this year. It would run for 25 years and the proceeds would be used to liquidate two current short-term loans totaling \$400,000 with two banks in the area.

It is reported that Expo is currently paying about \$2,600 monthly in interest alone. Under the five per cent interest FHA loan it would reportedly pay \$2,338 monthly in combined principal and interest.

A spokesman in the Richmond FHA office told The News-Virginian today, "If they agree to meet the conditions there is no doubt about approval."

H. W. Hawks, chief of community programs, said that a letter of conditions will be delivered to Expo some time this week. He commented that the letter "will definitely state that this (the letter) does not give approval" for the loan.

He added that Expo officials must first sign a statement "to indicate that they intend to meet" the requirements.

"We will not notify them officially until we know the money is obligated," he said. Commenting on the availability, Mr. Hawks said, "As far as we know — unless somebody puts a freeze on us — we have no problem."

According to Mr. Hawks, the letter will spell out in greater detail conditions set forth in a letter from J. R. Hanson, deputy administrator of program operations in Washington, D. C., to the Richmond FHA office.

Copies of the letter were passed out last night by Expo President George A. Beam

during a meeting of the Expo '74 Committee at Expoland attended by members of the board of directors.

Mr. Beam said he "had the news verbally Friday from Washington" but could not release it until it was confirmed. He indicated that the letter from Mr. Hanson, which had been sent to him from the Richmond FHA office, was tantamount to approval of the loan.

In that letter, Mr. Hanson said the Washington office concurs "in the approval of financial

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assistance" subject to certain requirements and availability of funds.

One of his four conditions was that "The applicant (Expo) should obtain a suitable agreement regarding the donation of the Purebred Cattle Association (Staunton Purebred Livestock Association) property and agree to utilize any proceeds therefrom to improve the project being financed."

Mr. Beam called this "a key point."

The Purebred Association has expressed interest in vacating its present facility at Verona and in using a sales and show pavilion proposed at Expoland.

Expo and the association have discussed a possible merger with the assets of the association becoming available to help defray the cost of the building.

In March 1973 members of the livestock group unanimously authorized their Board of Directors "at the appropriate time" to transfer the association's assets to Expo "by a means deemed to be most advantageous to the association."

Dayton Hodges, secretary-treasurer of the association, said at last night's gathering, "I think we are prepared to go along," on the matter.

He said, however, that the livestock group will have sales committed at its present facility

up to April. "We have to have a place for our sales," he said. "We can't give up the (present) place for sales until something else is available."

Mr. Hodges said he did not feel this was an "insurmountable" problem, but that it might be necessary to explain this to the FHA.

Discussing financing of the proposed new building, Mr. Beam said he had been told that the Purebred Association feels it would net some \$40,000 to \$45,000 from the sale of its property.

Because it is now estimated that the building would cost about \$120,000, he said that Expo would need to raise \$70,000 to \$80,000.

It was estimated that a spring sale of "gift" animals might raise some \$25,000. The remainder of the money, Mr. Beam said, might be raised from memberships and donations.

The other stipulations set forth in Mr. Hanson's letter, Mr. Beam explained, covered amount of reserve funds required under the loan, assignment of income to assure payments and "standard bookkeeping procedures."

He thanked Sixth District Rep. M. Caldwell Butler and his staff, Seventh District Rep. J. Kenneth Robinson, U.S. Sens. Harry F. Byrd and William Scott and Dels. A. R. Giesen Jr. and J. Marshall Coleman for their assistance on the loan.



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# Only 2 Va. Wilderness Areas Likely To Get New Designation

By JACK BETTS

Times Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON — U.S. Rep. William C. Wampler, R-Va., has a message for the environmentalists of the 9th District: He does not object to the setting aside of more than 17,000 acres of the Jefferson National Forest as national wilderness study areas.

He also has a message for those who think there's enough wilderness in the country already: He's not pushing for creation of the wilderness areas, either.

And the net result of that exercise is that there is little if any chance of new wildernesses or study areas being created within the 17 Southwest Virginia counties that make up Wampler's home district.

In fact, there are only two Virginia areas that stand a chance of making it in either category, and the betting is not solid there.

In the remaining days of the 93rd Congress the House Interior subcommittee on Public Lands has under consideration the 8,880-acre James River Face area in the Jefferson National Forest as an instant wilderness and the 6,700-acre Ramsey's Draft tract in the George Washington National Forest as a wilderness study area.

To get through Congress, which recesses next week for election campaigning and which will reconvene for a short session sometime in November, it would require an effort not usually associated with the slow-moving 435-member body.

Less than a year ago, the outlook for an eastern wilderness bill was not nearly so gloomy; in fact, it was bright.

The Senate passed an omnibus bill containing 19 instant wilderness designations and 40 wilderness study areas, which would be protected as wildernesses while they were being studied for possible inclusion in the National Wilderness Preservation System.

That bill included the James River Face and Ramsey's Draft as well as three study areas in Wampler's district.

But when the House Public Lands subcommittee got the bill, Chairman John Melcher, D-Mont., gave a warning in the first of only two hearings on the myriad wilderness bills. He advised the wilderness proponents not to expect any quick action, and he was good to his word.

So good, in fact, that when his subcommittee held its second hearing last week, there was scant resemblance between the Senate bill and the list of the areas now under consideration.

The James River Face area survived but—curiously—the Ramsey's Draft area was relegated to study area status. The three wilderness study areas in Wampler's district—the 8,400-acre Mountain Lake area, the 5,000-acre Peters Mountain area and the 4,000-acre Mill Creek area—were nowhere to be seen.

Wampler told The Roanoke Times Washington Bureau

Wednesday he had just sent a letter to subcommittee Chairman Melcher advising him that Wampler had no objection to inclusion of the areas in the bill.

"It gives me no problems at all," Wampler said in an interview just off the House floor. "Each of them clearly comes within the definition of wilderness study areas and they're on government property."

Just the same, Wampler acknowledged, he was not pushing for creation of the three wilderness study areas.

"I don't make it a habit to go on record sponsoring a lot of bills," Wampler said. "I just told him I had no objections to the study bill. I think they ought to be studied."

Barring a last-minute change of heart, that means the three 9th District areas probably will be carried over into the 94th Congress convening next January.

That leaves only the James River Face and the Ramsey's Draft areas, both located in Rep. M. Caldwell Butler's 6th District, as the only chances for Virginia wilderness.

Still, there is precious little explanation of why the three 9th District areas were left out of the bill. According to David Brown, the subcommittee's counsel, Melcher had tried to pick only noncontroversial areas that were included in the Senate bill. However, the three were in the Senate bill.

Another explanation is that Melcher asked each member their views on wilderness areas in their district and chose accordingly. If that were the case, then the three areas should have been chosen if Wampler at least had no objections to them.

The same questions could be raised about the areas in Butler's district, where the Ramsey's Draft area was demoted from "instant" wilderness area to wilderness study designation.

Butler, like Wampler, had no objection to either the James River Face or Ramsey's Draft becoming a wilderness area.

Apparently, Butler was not pushing for more wildernesses in the 6th District. A staff member familiar with the subcommittee hearing plans last week said, "We asked him if he wanted to testify and he didn't."

But even if the 6th District areas don't make it through this Congress, there'll be plenty of time for Butler, who appears to be in little trouble this election, to work for the legislation.

There'll also be time for Wampler, who may be in some trouble in the 9th District, or his successor, to work for the three areas next year.



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**Caldwell Butler**  
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**Gets Treasury** *p. 2A*  
**Watchdog Award**

Sixth District Representative M. Caldwell Butler has been awarded a high honor in Washington.

The National Associated Businessmen awarded him their annual Watchdog of the Treasury Award on Tuesday, Sept. 24, his office has announced.

The NAB selected representatives and senators on the basis of their votes for economy in government during the 93rd Congress.

The twelve votes on which the selection was based were announced just prior to the awards ceremony at the Capitol Tuesday.

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*But* **Butler to speak**  
**at ham dinner** *CF 10/3/74*  
**set in Daleville**

DALEVILLE — The Hon. M. Caldwell Butler, Congressman from Virginia's Sixth District, will be guest speaker at the Botetourt County Republican ham dinner, to be held at Lord Botetourt High School, Saturday, Oct. 19.

The dinner, scheduled for 7 p.m., is the eighth annual event of its kind. Featuring Botetourt County country ham with all the trimmings, including home baked pies, it will be put on with the assistance of the Botetourt County Republican Women's Club and under the direction of Mrs. Evelyn Brugh of Buchanan.

Entertainment and door prizes will be other features of the evening.

Ticket sales to date are running well ahead of those last year, according to Harold C. Wingate, ways and means chairman. The dinner is usually attended by between 250 and 300 persons.



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### Leave It Be

Perhaps President Ford wants to appear before a House Judiciary Subcommittee and tell more about his unfortunate pardon of former President Nixon. If so, so be it. But there is no cause for him say more. We wish he would say no more, do no more and think no more about it. Our mean-spirited guess is that Rep. William L. Hungate, D-Mo., chairman of the subcommittee, is still charmed by all the exposure he got during the impeachment hearings and would like to stay in the spotlight as long as possible.

### Butler To Speak At Botetourt Dinner

DALEVILLE—Rep. M. Caldwell Butler will be the speaker at the 8th annual ham dinner sponsored by Botetourt County Republicans.

The event will be held Oct. 19 in Lord Botetourt High School and the dinner will be prepared by the Botetourt County Republican Women's Club, under the direction of Mrs. Evelyn Brugh of Buchanan.

Ticket sales for the dinner were reported running ahead of those for last year's dinner.

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### BUTLER DUE HERE FRIDAY

*The News 10/3/74*  
Sixth District Rep. M. Caldwell Butler is scheduled to be in Lynchburg at 4:30 p.m. Friday for the opening of his city headquarters in the old ABC building in the 600 block of Mair St.

With Butler will be Lynchburg Attorney George Fralin, who is heading up his campaign in the city.

Butler, who is seeking a second term in office, is being opposed by Democrat Paul J. Puckett, American Party candidate Warren D. Saunders and Independent Timothy McGay.



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## Butler Endorsed By The ACA

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Virginia's Sixth District Congressman M. Caldwell Butler was endorsed for re-election this week by ACA (Americans for Constitutional Action), the non-partisan National organization, headquartered here, said it was endorsing Representative Butler because of his consistent voting record for constitutional principles.

Charles A. McManus, president of ACA, stated, "Representative Butler is best judged by his performance during the two years in which he has served in the House. His legislative record gives factual evidence of his valuable and unselfish service to our nation."

members of Congress on issues which are of major National importance and adherence to constitutional principles. Mr. McManus cited Congressman Butler's voting record as outstanding. "He puts the interest of the United States first and works continually for the preservation of constitutional government" he said.

The endorsement by ACA brings to the Congressman the support of highly distinguished citizens, Democrats, Republicans and Independents, who are members of ACA's Board of Trustees.



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## Inflation blamed on Democrats

Warren Saunders, the American party candidate for Congress in the 6th District, has charged that the Democrats are even more responsible for current inflation than the Republicans.

"And," he said, "to add another Democrat from the 6th District to the already top-heavy majority in Congress would be like pouring gasoline on a fire."

Saunders said it's true "that the Republicans have been adding to the fires of inflation as the Rockefeller liberals have gained control of the Republican party."

But he said it's a fact that, without letup since 1960,

"Democrats have mushroomed the spending of the taxpayers' money in wasteful and reckless 'programs' designed to hoodwink voters into thinking they're getting something for nothing."

Saunders said when his Democratic opponent, Paul Puckett, tries to concern over inflation, he wants voters to forget that the Democrats have consistently promoted deficit spending.

"One of the worst examples of Democrat welfarism is the food stamp program now getting totally out of hand, yet Puckett is saying nothing about how the program is destroying the American taxpay-

ers," said Saunders.

Saunders said the chairman of the Joint Economic Subcommittee on Fiscal Policy has estimated that within two years more than 60 million people will qualify for the stamps. He added:

"I challenge Paul Puckett to come out in the open and tell how he will stop inflation without bringing an end to this flagrant welfare abuse. Then maybe the voters will see the kind of big spending, pro-inflation candidate the Democrats are really offering."



## Butler headquarters will open Friday

DAILY ADVANCE 10/3/74

The Lynchburg headquarters for Sixth District Rep. M. Caldwell Butler will be opened Friday at 4:30 p.m. in the old ABC building in the 600 block of Main Street with Butler attending.

Also attending the opening ceremony will be George Fralin, a Lynchburg attorney who is serving as chairman of the Butler campaign in the city.

Butler, who is seeking a second term in office, is being opposed by Democrat Paul J. Puckett, American Party candidate Warren D. Saunders and independent Timothy McGay.

## Gov. Godwin To Attend Butler Dinner

Governor Mills E. Godwin will be the principal speaker at a Caldwell Butler Appreciation Dinner October 22 at the Salem-Roanoke Valley Civic Center.

"Caldwell Butler is a proven and experienced legislator, a man of demonstrated ability and great dedication," the Governor said today. "He has been a man of action, a responsible and at the same time responsive representative of the philosophy which meets with the approval of the majority of the people of Virginia."

The Governor went on to say that Butler has been "tried and tested under fire and his record warrants his return to the Congress particularly at a time when the nation needs experienced stewardship."

Godwin, now a Republican serving his second term as Governor, said he was pleased to assist Butler and was looking forward to the dinner. Butler also will speak at the event.

Butler was appointed by Godwin to the Governor's Budget Advisory Committee during the former Democrat's first term in Virginia's top office. At that time Butler was serving his fourth term as a Republican representing Roanoke City in the House of Delegates.

## Amtrak Train May Be Routed Via Lynchburg

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Washington sources said Monday that Amtrak's new Norfolk to Cincinnati passenger service might pass through Lynchburg. Amtrak is reportedly considering a 17-hour schedule almost identical to that used by Norfolk and Western's "Pohohontas" before its retirement in 1971.

If approved, the new schedule would allow Cincinnati passengers to make connections to Chicago from the Cincinnati terminal.

The schedule is virtually identical to one reported by the Roanoke Times Washington bureau last April as likely to lose \$4.2 million annually.



# Not much economy, Butler finds

By OZZIE OSBORNE  
Staff Writer

Rep. Caldwell Butler said today that Congress still apparently is not serious about cutting federal spending, if a recent action is any sign.

He noted that Congress recently in considering a supplemental appropriations bill added on about 5 per cent more than was originally requested. Thus, he said, the bill ended up calling for \$385 million more in spending.

"That's why I voted against it," the 6th District congressman said.

"There's no self-discipline in Congress yet," he added.

He said in this case the President will probably sign the bill because necessary funds are included in it.

Butler said the only way such action can be headed off is to give the President the right of item veto—that is, the right to pick out certain items and veto them rather than having to approve or reject a whole bill. The governor of Virginia now has such a right, Butler pointed out.

Butler has long favored giving the President the right of item veto (it was a plank in his platform in 1972) and he said that he has gotten a commitment from Rep. Peter Rodino to start hearings next month on a constitutional amendment that would give the President this right.

Rodino is head of the House Judiciary Committee, which considers constitutional amendments. Butler is a member of that committee.

The hearings will start after Congress goes back to its work after a recess that begins a week from today and ends Nov. 12.

In other comments today, Butler said that perhaps the most that could be said for the economic summitry of President Ford was that it brought home the fact that there is no instant solution to the current inflation.

"It's going to be a long haul," said Butler. "I think people have come to realize that."

Butler said he thought that the way the administration

plans to attack inflation may become clearer when President Ford gives his thoughts on the subject in a major address next Tuesday.

The adjournment of Congress is expected to heat up the 6th District congressional race, which so far has not been terribly exciting.

It is not clear just yet whether there will be extensive debating in the campaign, which has just a month to go.

Paul Puckett, the Democratic candidate, earlier this week criticized Butler for what he said was his failure to accept debate challenges. Butler said today he'd rather not reply to Puckett.

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**HEADQUARTERS OPENED** — Sixth District Rep. M. Caldwell Butler prepares to cut ribbon Friday which officially opened his Lynchburg campaign headquarters in 600 block of Main Street. With him are Carolyn Morgan,

headquarters chairman, and other Butler campaign workers. In a statement released Friday, Butler charged Congress with reckless deficit spending.

## Deficit Spending Target Of Butler In City Speech

If Congress cannot control its deficit federal spending, then this power of control should be given to the President, Rep. M. Caldwell Butler said here Friday at the official opening of his city campaign headquarters.

Butler, campaigning for reelection to Virginia's Sixth District seat in Congress, said he had voted against a supplemental federal spending bill this week in an effort to reduce deficit spending, but that the bill had passed overwhelmingly.

He said that when considering the bill, Congress added to the legislation about five per cent more than was originally requested.

"That's why I voted against it. . . There's no self-discipline in Congress yet," Butler said.

He said in this case the President will probably sign the bill because necessary funds are included in it.

Butler said the only way such action can be headed off is to give the President the right of item veto. This the right to pick out certain items and veto them rather than considering the entire bill.

The governor of Virginia now has such a right, he explained.

For item veto to become law on a congressional basis, Butler said would require a two-

thirds majority vote in Congress and approval of the President. Such legislation, he added, would require a constitutional amendment.

He said he already has been assured that congressional hearings will begin during November on the item veto matter.

Butler's Lynchburg campaign headquarters is located in the former Alcohol Beverage Control Board Store in the 600 block of Main Street.

With Butler Friday were

George Fralin, a local attorney who is chairman of Butler's campaign; Carroll Freeman, chairman of the Lynchburg City Republican Committee, and Carolyn Morgan, chairman of campaign headquarters here.

Butler is being opposed by Democrat Paul J. Puckett, Roanoke sheriff; Warren D. Saunders of the American Party, and Timothy McGay, running as an independent.

The congressional election will be conducted Nov. 5.



## Butler Sees High Costs As Number One Problem

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elderly and those on fixed but modest incomes, he added.

Butler went on to say that the President's suggestion of a federal spending ceiling of \$300 billion is one to which he has long subscribed.

"I was pleased that the Congress acted so quickly on this request. Understand, however,

that a resolution of this nature is cosmetic only," Butler said.

He also said that whether his constituents like it or not, his record tells him that he is a "fiscal conservative" and it gives him some license to criticize the Congress for its failure to measure up to a primary responsibility to balance the budget.

The President, Butler said, mentioned only in passing the partial imposition of export controls on grain. He added that this was a reluctant step by the administration, taken only because of the pressing domestic needs.

"While we acknowledge our responsibilities to the remainder of the world, and the significance of export to our economy, his action makes it clear that we will not adopt a policy of punishing ourselves in order to satisfy the grain requirements of the rest of the world," said Butler.

"The economic implications of this action are substantial, grain exports have been one of the factors contributing to our favorable balance of payments," he added.

"Whip Inflation Now" (WIN) is the slogan which the President has chosen for this national effort, and Butler said he would encourage every resident of the Sixth District to participate.

"This is an area where individual involvement really can help — in reducing private debt, in conserving fuel supplies, in careful buying.

"I realize that many Americans have tightened their belts until they can tighten them no more, but I hope that all of us who are not bearing an equal share of the burden will join in the effort," said Butler.

He added that it is going to take a while for the American people to become accustomed to a President who speaks with such candor and exhibits such confidence in the American People.

"But I wish to reassure you that President Ford sincerely believes that the American people are one key to our problem," Butler said Saturday night.

"I endorse wholeheartedly his appeal to every American for sacrifice and guidance, and am satisfied that he will not be disappointed," said Butler.



# Congressmen treading lightly, Butler says

By FRANK HANCOCK  
Environmental Writer

Congressmen concerned with the necessity of mending fences before the November elections are not likely to tackle legislation such as the move to kill Appalachian Power Co.'s Blue Ridge hydroelectric project.

That is the opinion of Rep. M. Caldwell Butler, Sixth District Congressman from Roanoke.

Butler, who is in Roanoke this weekend, also said that he does not expect any action on bills to create an Eastern Wilderness system that would include 8,800 acres in the Jefferson National Forest near Natural Bridge.

Butler told a reporter that Appalachian's proposed \$400 million project that includes two dams in Grayson County may come to the floor of Congress after the November elections.

"I think there will be quite a floor fight," he said.

The issue is a bill introduced by Rep. Wilmer Mizell of North Carolina that would authorize a study of the New River for possible inclusion in the national scenic rivers system.

Should the river be studied, it would delay work on the power project for two years or kill it entirely, some officials have said.

Butler said he favors building the hydroelectric project because of the need for power and said he does not feel that it would substantially damage the river as some opponents of the project have said.

In predicting that no action will be taken until after elections on such things as the Eastern Wilderness bill, Butler said he is inclined to go along with the desires of the people in the areas affected.

"I want my vote on such matters to reflect the wishes of the people of the areas."

Butler said he is neither pro nor con on preserving some wilderness areas.

A U.S. Senate-approved bill that would preserve the James River Face area between Natural Bridge and Glasgow in a primitive stage is now in a House subcommittee.

In approving the wilderness bill the Senate wants the James River Face to become "instant wilderness" and areas such as Ramsey's Draft in Augusta County to be studied for possible designation.

The Senate action eliminated a proposal to preserve the Laurel Fork section of Highland County.

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## **GOP Headquarters Will Open Monday**

By N-V Staff Writer

STAUNTON — The Staunton-Augusta County Republican Campaign Headquarters will open at 7:30 p.m. Monday at 11 S. New St.

M. Caldwell Butler, member of the U.S. House of Representatives representing the Sixth Congressional District in Virginia, who seeks re-election Nov. 5 as the Republican nominee, is scheduled to be present at the opening ceremony.

Also scheduled to be present are A. R. Giesen Jr., the party's nominee for the State Senate seat resigned by H. D. Dawbarn, and Gordon W. Poindexter Jr., the party's nominee for the House of Delegates seat resigned by Mr. Giesen to run for the State Senate seat.



# HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Sept. 27: Not in session

Sept. 30: No action

Oct. 1:

In consideration of committee reform amendments the House agreed to an amendment to increase the staff of standing committees to a total of 30 persons, 218-180 with 36 not voting.

The delegation voted yea except Broyhill, Butler, Robinson and Wampler, who voted no.

During consideration of supplemental appropriations, the House:

—Agreed to an amendment to increase funds for education programs by \$198.6 million, 280-114 with 40 not voting.

The delegation voted no, except Broyhill, R. Daniel and Parris, who voted yea.

—Agreed to an amendment 220-169 with 45 not voting to prohibit withholding of funds or grants to compel school districts to implement racial quota systems for students or teachers.

The delegation voted yea except Whitehurst, who did not vote.

Oct 2:

The House voted 317-72 with 42 not voting to supplemental appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1975.

The delegation voted yea except Butler, Dan Daniel, Robinson and Satterfield, who voted no, and Broyhill, who did not vote.

Before acting on the final bill, the House:

—Agreed 282-125 with 27 not voting to add \$25.4 million for the nutrition program for older Americans.

The delegation voted no, except Broyhill, Butler, Parris and Wampler, who voted yea.

—Agreed 280-120 with 34 not voting to increase funds for library resources by \$3 million.

The delegation voted no, except Parris, who did not vote.

—Agreed 342-47 with 41 not voting to reduce funds for former President Nixon's transition expense to \$100,000 to be available until Feb. 9, 1975.

The delegation voted yea except Broyhill, who did not vote.

—Agreed to an amendment to reduce staff allowances for former President Nixon to \$100,000 with \$35,000 to be used for pension purposes and \$45,000 for other expenses 321-52 with 45 not voting.

The delegation voted yea except Broyhill, who did not vote.

—Rejected 169-228 with 37 not voting an amendment reducing funds for former President Nixon's expenses that sought to strike all transition funds.

The delegation voted no except Broyhill, who did not vote.

—Rejected an amendment to strike the staff allowances for former President Nixon 46-344 with 44 not voting.

The delegation voted no except Broyhill who did not vote.

—Rejected 107-277 with 45 not voting an amendment to strike \$45,000 for miscellaneous expenses from the staff allowance for former President Nixon.

The delegation voted no except Broyhill who did not vote.

During consideration of committee reform amendments the House:

—Agreed to an amendment to establish a select committee on aging 323-84 with 27 not voting.

The delegation voted yea.

—Agreed 246-164 with 24 not voting to an amendment to retain the Internal Security Committee as a separate "B" level standing committee.

The delegation voted yea.

—Rejected an amendment to restore jurisdiction over surface and air transportation to the Committee on Commerce and Health but leave jurisdiction over highway safety and mass transportation in the Committee on Public Works, 172-239 with 22 not voting.

The delegation voted yea, except Butler and Parris, who voted no.

Oct. 3:

The House agreed to an amendment to the committee reform amendments to strike provisions allowing committee chairmen to bypass the rules committee in bringing bills to the floor for consideration, 295-104 with 36 not voting.

The delegation voted yea except Butler, who voted no, and R. Daniel and Whitehurst, who did not vote.



## GOP headquarters will open Monday

The local Republican headquarters for Staunton and Augusta County will have its official opening at 8 p.m. Monday at the headquarters building at 11 N. New Street, according to Howard Wilhelm and Douglas Wine, city and county chairmen.

Guests at the opening will include U.S. Rep. M. Caldwell Butler, Senatorial candidate A. R. Geisen Jr., and House candidate Gordon Poindexter of Waynesboro.

Del. J. Marshall Coleman will act as master of ceremonies and

introduce the guests.

The headquarters will serve as a focal point for the Republicans from both Augusta County and Staunton during the next four weeks of the campaign.

Refreshments will be served following the opening.

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Staunton, Va., News-Leader, Sun., Oct. 6, 1974

## Butler representative will be in Staunton

U.S. Rep. M. Caldwell Butler's representative will be in the City Council Chambers of Staunton City Hall on Thursday from 9 a.m. until noon to meet with citizens wishing to discuss problems they are having with the federal government.

The meeting in Staunton is one of 10 monthly meetings Rep. Butler holds in the district.

These meetings are in addition to the regular open door meetings which Rep. Butler holds himself from time to time

on a nonscheduled basis.

The Congressman had earlier announced the meeting to complement the three district offices as part of his plan to have the Congressman and the constituent in close contact.

Any person wishing to discuss a particular problem with Rep. Butler's representative should bring with them all papers and correspondence dealing with the case in addition to knowing their Veterans Claim number and Social Security number.



# Unlike Butler, Foes Foot Early Election Bills

Times 10/6

By MELVILLE CARICO  
Times Political Writer

Sheriff Paul J. Puckett, the Democratic candidate, and Warren D. Saunders, the American party candidate, had to dig into their own pockets for the "front money" for their underdog campaigns for Congress in the 6th District.

Rep. M. Caldwell Butler, whom Richard Nixon and network TV coverage made a political celebrity overnight, never faced this kind of problem back home.

President Ford, then vice president, came to Roanoke July 19 for a fund-raising reception for Butler and the \$3,159 profit from this event alone was nearly as

much as the \$3,797 that had been contributed to Puckett's campaign through Aug. 31.

Puckett put up \$5,184 of his own money, most of it going into billboards, and received 10 contributions of \$100 each and two for \$200, plus \$1,360 in small contributions.

Saunders, who has a fertilizer business in Bedford County, put up \$12,000 of his own money, received one \$500 contribution, and \$1,432 in contributions of less than \$100.

Butler by Aug. 31 had taken in \$19,913, including seven \$500 donations from prominent businessmen in the district.

The Republican National Committee in Washington sent him \$3,000 and his own 6th District GOP Committee contributed \$1,000.

Federal election laws require candidates to disclose the names and addresses of those who contribute over \$100. Out in the Southwest 9th District Rep. William C. Wampler and Democratic challenger Charles J. Horne disclosed the name and address of every giver down to those who donated \$1. Neither Butler, Puckett nor Saunders identified any giver below \$100 and Saunders had only one who gave \$100 or more.

Butler reported \$10,463 in donations,

Puckett \$1,360; Saunders, \$1,972.

The Ford reception at Hotel Roanoke grossed \$7,475 but the tab at the hotel was \$1,753 and the committee owed the Republican National Committee \$2,117 for the cost of the vice president's trip to Roanoke. That included everything, even the travel expenses of advance men and Secret Service agents who were in town several days preparing for his arrival.

The Aug. 31 figures are obsolete now but the candidates' first reports filed in both Washington and Richmond show

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## Butler's Opposition Footed Early Bills

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their relative starting strengths, financially, and indicate trends that are likely to continue.

(As an example, District Chairman Clifton A. Woodrum III announced last week the 6th District Democratic Committee had contributed \$1,000 to Puckett's campaign.)

Congressional candidates have to file two more reports; the next one 15 days before the election and a second one just five days before the Nov. 5 election.

The seven businessmen who made first round \$500 contributions to Butler's campaign were J.W. Langhammer, who is his campaign manager; D. L. Jordan, Elbert H. Waldron, Horace G. Fralin, S. T. Brown Jr., all of Roanoke; State Sen. Robert S. Burruss Jr., Lynchburg, and R. R. Smith, Staunton, District GOP Chairman

William B. Poff contributed \$400. Puckett reported a \$300 contribution from Roanoke lawyer Ralph A. Glasgow, \$200 from Larry C. Musgrove, a former assistant U.S. attorney now practicing in Roanoke; and 10 \$100 contributions.

The \$100 contributors include Bob Bell, automobile dealer; and James A. Brabham, a deputy in Puckett's sheriff's office. Others were listed as N. R. Sam Golden, Albert Trum-peter, William G. Creasy and Laetitia B. Frye, all of Roanoke; William A. Rule Jr. and John A. Clem III, both of Staunton, and W. R. Ramsey, Buena Vista.

Saunders reported a \$500 contribution from Ronnie Barbour, a Chatham gasoline dealer.

Augusta County farmer Timothy A. McGay had a very simple report. He spent \$150.



News-Gazette, Lexington, Virginia October 9, 1974

## Butler Aide Sets Visit

Sixth District Congressman M. Caldwell Butler's representative will be in the Lexington City Hall Tuesday from 11 a.m. until 12:15 p.m. to meet with citizens wishing to discuss problems they are having with the federal government.

Butler's aide will be in the Buena Vista City Hall from 9 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. the same day.



# Byrd Terms Ford's Speech 'Constructive'

By DON HILL

Times Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON — Sen. Harry F. Byrd Jr., the Virginia independent who has been making daily anti-inflation speeches in the Senate, seemed to praise faintly Tuesday the anti-inflation speech of President Ford.

Ford was "thoughtful and constructive," Byrd said, especially in his call for volunteer mobilization and his idea of voluntary energy conservation.

But, Byrd said, the income tax surcharge proposed by the President will "require careful study."

Rep. Joel Broyhill, R-Va., a member of the House Ways and Means Committee which will oversee many of Ford's legislative proposals, was adamant about the tax surcharge.

"I'm not going to sit still any longer for efforts to get more tax blood out of the so-called middle earners."

He and other members of the Virginia delegation in the

House called for federal spending cuts in lieu of the tax increase.

Sen. William L. Scott, R-Va., was out of town Tuesday and could not be reached for comment on the President's speech.

Rep. Caldwell Butler, R-Roanoke, said he would withhold comment until this morning.

Rep. Robert Daniel, 4th District Republican, called the tax surcharge proposal "highly questionable." But he reacted with favor to the President's suggestion of a

\$3-billion federal fund to repurchase housing mortgages. "As a general overview," Daniel said, "the call for fiscal discipline and the ordering of priorities is something I very strongly welcome."

Rep. J. Kenneth Robinson, Republican of the 7th District, joined those Virginians who said they would refuse to support an income surtax. Of the President's other proposals, he said "they will have my careful study."

Rep. William Wampler, R-Bristol, also opposed the tax

surcharge. He pronounced himself in sympathy with President Ford in his "sincere

effort to guide this economy through the crisis of inflation and the threat of recession." But, he said that "tax reform (not increase) is the answer" to any need for increased revenue.

Rep. David Satterfield, conservative Democrat from Richmond, praised the President's speech "taken as a package." He said the proposed surtax is "a tool we'll have to look at."



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WATCHDOG AWARD--Sixth District Congressman M. Caldwell Butler recently received the Watchdog of the Treasury Award from H. Vernon Scott, president of the National Associated Businessmen. The award was in honor of the Congressman's economy voting record for the 93rd Congress.



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# Editorials

THE ROANOKE TIMES

Saturday, October 26, 1974

## Re-elect Mr. Butler

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Rep. M. Caldwell Butler, of Roanoke, Republican of the Sixth District of Virginia, has earned in his first term a re-election to Congress. High among any list of reasons would be his calm and fair performance as a member of the House Judiciary Committee investigating grounds for impeaching former President Nixon.

Mr. Butler did not become a publicity hound. He leaked no evidence and was circumspect in his comments. He was neither in the first row of the eager executioners nor in the back row of the last-ditch defenders. He studied the law (which was new to most people) and he studied the evidence. When the time came, he voted for two counts of impeachment.

Right now, with hindsight, his votes seem to have been inevitable, even easy to arrive at. But at the time of the voting, his decision was politically risky. Risky might be too mild a word to describe the climate

that existed when Mr. Butler had to make up his mind. He showed courage and good judgment. One decision like that is worth a dozen or so smaller decisions.

Another reason for re-electing Mr. Butler is that he reflects the general complexion of his district—conservative but not standpat. So much of Mr. Butler's first term had to be spent on impeachment hearings that he was not heard from on other issues as much, for instance, as he was heard while a member of the Virginia General Assembly. But he did his homework, voted and did not neglect his duties. Given another term mercifully free of impeachment, Mr. Butler can show his merit in other areas.

Some good things can be said about his opponents. But all the good things added together do not overcome Mr. Butler's surprisingly historic first-term record. Mr. Butler should win and he should win big.



# Editorials

## Butler has earned return to Congress

With publication today of Roanoke Sheriff Paul Puckett's replies to The Leader Papers' questionnaire for Congressional candidates, following those of incumbent Rep. M. Caldwell Butler on Sunday, it is not premature to indorse Rep. Butler for re-election. Recommendation of his re-election is preferred to voters of this area of the 6th Virginia District with confidence that their Congressman for the last two years would continue to serve the best interests of district and nation.

Caldwell Butler was recognized long ago as one of Roanoke's ablest lawyers. He practiced in his native city from 1950 to 1972, following World War II service as an officer in the U.S. Navy. He was elected to the Virginia House of Delegates in 1962 and re-elected regularly until his successful bid, as Republican nominee, for the 6th District seat in the U.S. House of Representatives.

Rep. Butler's experience as a state legislator and as a lawyer, and then in the 93rd Congress, give him exceptional qualifications for remaining in the House of Representatives. His record in that body shows adherence to the conservative philosophy which won him the district's seat, but he has been progressive, not reactionary.

The district's Congressman was named to the House Judiciary Committee, always an important one but destined to be especially so in the 93rd Congress, for to it fell the question of bringing impeachment charges against the then President Richard M. Nixon.

Rep. Butler conducted himself throughout the long committee proceedings with judicial restraint. He avoided any public expression which would indicate preference for a verdict before the evidence was in, while some members of

Congress, Republicans as well as Democrats, were mouthing bias and guilt in a way which brought into question the possibility of a fair trial should impeachment charges be voted.

The committee reached the decision that there was evidence which justified charges and Rep. Butler supported two findings. It was not until then that he went through the trauma of deciding against the leader of his party and so announced—after the committee reached its conclusions and not before.

His consistently judicial attitude during the committee proceedings won much favorable national attention, which he no doubt deprecated because he had simply done what objectivity should have inspired his colleagues in House and Senate to do.

The positions on national affairs which will face the coming Congress were clearly set forth in Rep. Caldwell's replies to this newspaper's questionnaire. They are statesmanlike positions which show sound knowledge of the issues. His votes on them would help stop inflation by a return to balanced budgets, curbing special interests and strengthening the nation economically, socially and militarily.

Nothing said of Rep. Butler is meant to reflect on his opponent and fellowtownsman, the popular Democratic nominee, Paul Puckett. He is highly esteemed in Roanoke and has had varied experience, but it does not compare with that of Rep. Butler as qualification for the high office of Congressman. The incumbent has the experience, the knowledge and the courage which the district and the nation need in the House of Representatives.



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## BUTLER ENDORSED

Incumbent Rep. M. Caldwell Butler, a Republican representing Virginia's Sixth District, has been endorsed in his bid for reelection by the Americans for Constitutional Action.

The non-partisan national organization, headquartered in Washington, said it was endorsing Butler because of his consistent voting record for constitutional principals.

Butler is in a four-way race for the seat he has held since 1972. Opposing him are Democrat Paul J. Puckett, also of Roanoke, Independent Timothy McGay and American Party candidate Warren D. Saunders.



## Butler wins endorsement

WASHINGTON — 6th District U.S. Rep. M. Caldwell Butler was endorsed for re-election today by Americans for Constitutional Action.

The non-partisan National organization, headquartered here, said it was endorsing Rep. Butler because of his consistent voting record for constitutional principles.

Charles A. McManus, president of ACA, stated: "Rep. Butler is best judged by his performance during the two years in which he has served in the House. His legislative record gives factual evidence of his valuable and unselfish service to our Nation."

ACA periodically rates all members of Congress on issues which are of major national importance and adherence to constitutional principles. ACA's president stated: "If every member of Congress voted as Congressman Butler, there would be little or no federal debt.

inflation would not be a problem, our national military strength would not be in question, and Americans would be paying lower taxes."

Mr. McManus cited Rep. Butler's voting record as outstanding. "He puts the interest of the U.S. first and works continually for the preservation of constitutional government."



CLIFTON FORGE, VA., WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 30, 1974



**VIEW LIBRARY SITE**—Members of the Clifton Forge Library Board recently toured the construction site with Congressman M. Caldwell Butler, who has been instrumental in getting the library work started. The Congressman aided the board in getting a wage scale from the government, as well as helping members of the board with obtaining funds from the Appalachia

Regional Commission. This week, Butler reported to board members that the ARC application for the funds had cleared Washington and was returned to Richmond for final work. Shown with Butler are, left to right, Charles Whitmer, chairman, building committee; Mrs. Beth Scott; and Mrs. Edith Chucker, chairman, library board. (Review Staff Photo)



## *Economy is big concern, says area congressman*

"The number one and overwhelming concern of Sixth District residents is the nation's adverse economy," Congressman M. Caldwell Butler told the Salem Rotarians last week.

He added, however, that "nobody I've spoken to is ready to accept a recession as a cure for inflation...but people are educated enough to know this problem can't be cured overnight."

The Sixth District Republican spoke to the club's weekly luncheon meeting and updated points he had expressed in campaign speeches two years ago. "I stated repeatedly two years ago that excessive federal spending was the greatest single factor contributing to our inflation," he emphasized, "and I offered a four point program to help tighten our belts, including the establishment of a spending

ceiling, item veto, improved congressional control of spending and improvement in the efficiency of government."

Butler said, in the ensuing two years, congress had adopted the Budget Act of 1973, requiring congress to adopt a spending ceiling, based on projected revenues each year before undertaking to prepare a budget. Moreover, the Judiciary Committee, at Butler's urging, will begin hearings in November on a constitutional amendment to allow the president to veto single spending items without vetoing an entire bill.

"Whether I like it or not, I find myself labeled a fiscal conservative," Butler commented. "That gives me some license to criticize the congress for

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News-Gazette, Lexington, Virginia, October 30, 1974

# Candidates, Quest Face Voters

Over 10,000 registered voters in the Rockbridge area will be eligible to vote Tuesday for federal and state representatives and on several issues.

Voters in Lexington, Buena Vista and the county will choose a congressman for the 6th District. Candidates, in order of appearance on the ballot, are Timothy A. McGay, Warren D. Saunders, Paul Puckett and M. Caldwell Butler.

Also selected will be a

senator from the 24th District of Virginia to replace the recently resigned H. D. "Buz" Dawbarn. Candidates are Frank W. Nolen and Arthur R. Giesen Jr.

In all three localities voters will decide on the proposed amendment to the state constitution that would allow state aid to students in private colleges.

In Lexington referenda on the sale of mixed alcoholic beverages and establishment of a city finance department

will also be on the ballot.

Rockbridge County voters will select a commissioner of revenue from candidates Jack Smith, the incumbent, and Robert Lee Kemp. The elected commissioner will serve until Dec. 31, 1975.

In Natural Bridge District of the county, Maynard Reynolds is running unopposed for a seat on the Rockbridge board of supervisors. Reynolds is presently a supervisor from that district, having been appointed in December 1973 to fill the unexpired term of David Loughhead. His term will also expire Dec. 31, 1975.

There will be no changes at the polls this year, with all precincts now using voting machines. The polls will be open from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. Wayne Heslep, secretary of the county electoral board, reminds citizens—if they will not be in the area Tuesday—that they may vote before the election at the registrar's office.

The total number of registered voters in Lexington is 2,501; in Buena Vista, 2,375; and in the county, 5,778.

McGay is running as an independent candidate for the 6th District congressional seat. A beef cattle farmer, he lives at Rt. 1, Goshen. Saunders, the American Party-backed candidate, is a businessman from Bedford. Puckett, a Democrat, is sheriff of Roanoke. Butler, a

Republican lawyer from Roanoke, has been congressman for one term.

Democratic senatorial candidate Nolen, 35, has served on the Augusta County Board of Supervisors for three years and was elected chairman in January. A



## *Voters will decide Tuesday on variety of election issues*

Election day is just around the corner, marking the end of months of campaigning for key positions and issues. Some interesting races and debated questions will be voted on when Virginians take to the polls on Tuesday, November 5. In the City of Salem and Roanoke County polls will also be open for absentee ballots on Saturday, November 2, from 8:30 to 5:00.

Heading the ballot is the election for House Representative from the Sixth District. Republican incumbent Caldwell Butler, local star of the House Judiciary Committee to impeach Richard Nixon, is the favorite. Although Butler received support from Nixon upon his initial election two years ago, the freshman Representative came out strongly against him during the national televised debates. How his stand against the former president will be taken by hard-core Republicans remains to be seen.

The Democrats are countering with Paul J. Puckett. The Roanoke City sheriff has concentrated his campaign on the state of the economy and incumbent Butler's voting record. A decided underdog, Puckett's hopes lie chiefly in the ability of American Party candidate Warren J. Saunders to pull some of the Republican vote away from Butler. Saunders has been the most vigorous campaigner of the lot, using every aspect of exposure at his disposal. Reaction to Saunders' media barrage of politicking could be the telling factor.

A fourth candidate is Timothy A. McGay, a college graduate who's financing his campaign entirely with his own capital. His influence on the outcome is expected to be minimal although his intentions could become an important trend. Financing of campaigns has been

a major criticism of so called "dirty politics."

Another disputed issue involves the Sunday Closing or "Blue Law." Voters from the city and county will decide individually whether these laws should be retained or cast aside as impractical. Opposition from religious groups in the area has not been as adamant as might be expected.

The future of independent colleges in Virginia could be affected by Tuesday's balloting. An amendment to enable the state to make grants to students attending these schools will be decided. It would also enable state agencies and

local governments to make contracts with independent colleges for educational or related services.

In the county, a special election will be held to fill the vacancy on the Board of Supervisors in the Cave Spring Magisterial District. The position opened upon the death of Thomas Engleby earlier this year. Candidates are Thomas H. Beasley Jr., Posey G. Oyler, May W. Johnson and Arthur M. Whittaker.

Also on the county ballot are two proposed bonds. One would enable the Board of Supervisors to spend up to \$6,100,000 to finance the cost of water facilities for a county-wide water supply. It would also cover the financing of a treatment and distribution system and the acquisition and reconstruction of water facilities owned by the Roanoke County Public Service Authority.

The other bond would permit the Board as much as \$8,700,000 to finance the cost of a county-wide sanitary sewer system.

Voter turnout is another aspect of this election that could merit some watching. Many believe the Watergate and related issues will keep many prospective voters away from the polls.

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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA  
**OFFICIAL BALLOT**

COUNTY OF ROANOKE

SPECIAL ELECTION

Tuesday, November 5, 1974

Board of Supervisors  
Cave Spring Magisterial District  
For Unexpired Term  
To December 31, 1975  
(Vote for not more than one)

☐ THOMAS H. BE

☐ POSEY S. OY

☐ MAY W. J.

☐ ARTHUR M. WHITTAKER

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA  
**OFFICIAL BALLOT**

CITY OF SALEM

GENERAL ELECTION

Tuesday, November 5, 1974

Member  
House of Representatives  
Sixth District  
(Vote for not more than one)

☐ TIMOTHY A. McGA

☐ WARREN D. SAUNDERS

☐ PAUL PUCKETT

☐ M. CALDWELL BUTLER

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Tuesday, November 5, 1974

PROPOSED  
SEWER BOND

QUESTION: Shall the Board of  
of Roanoke County contract a  
amount of \$8,700,000.00 and is  
obligation bonds of said County  
aggregate maximum amount of  
pursuant to the Public Finance  
the cost of water supply  
County-wide water supply  
distribution system, includ  
of water facilities owner  
County Public Service  
acquisition and const  
thereto and the recons  
thereof?

☐ YES

☐ NO

☐ YES

☐ NO

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA  
**OFFICIAL BALLOT**

SUNDAY CLOSING LAW  
QUESTION: Shall the provisions of § 18  
the Code of Virginia (commonly known as  
Closing Law) be effective in the City of S

☐ YES

☐ NO

COUNTY OF ROANOKE

GENERAL ELECTION

Tuesday, November 5, 1974

PROPOSED  
CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

Question: Shall Section 11 of  
of the Constitution of Virginia  
so as to allow grants to or  
students attending nonprofit  
higher education and to empow  
Assembly to permit the State  
subdivision thereof to contr  
institutions of higher educatio  
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☐ YES

☐ NO



## In Mock Election

# WHS Votes Split Ticket, Repeals State Blue Law

Using a ballot identical to the one local voters will face next Tuesday, students at Waynesboro High School yesterday "elected" two Republicans and one Democrat.

They also struck down the Sunday-closing law and approved a constitutional amendment authorizing state grants to students attending independent colleges.

The mock election gave victory to M. Caldwell Butler, the incumbent Republican, for a second full term in the U.S.

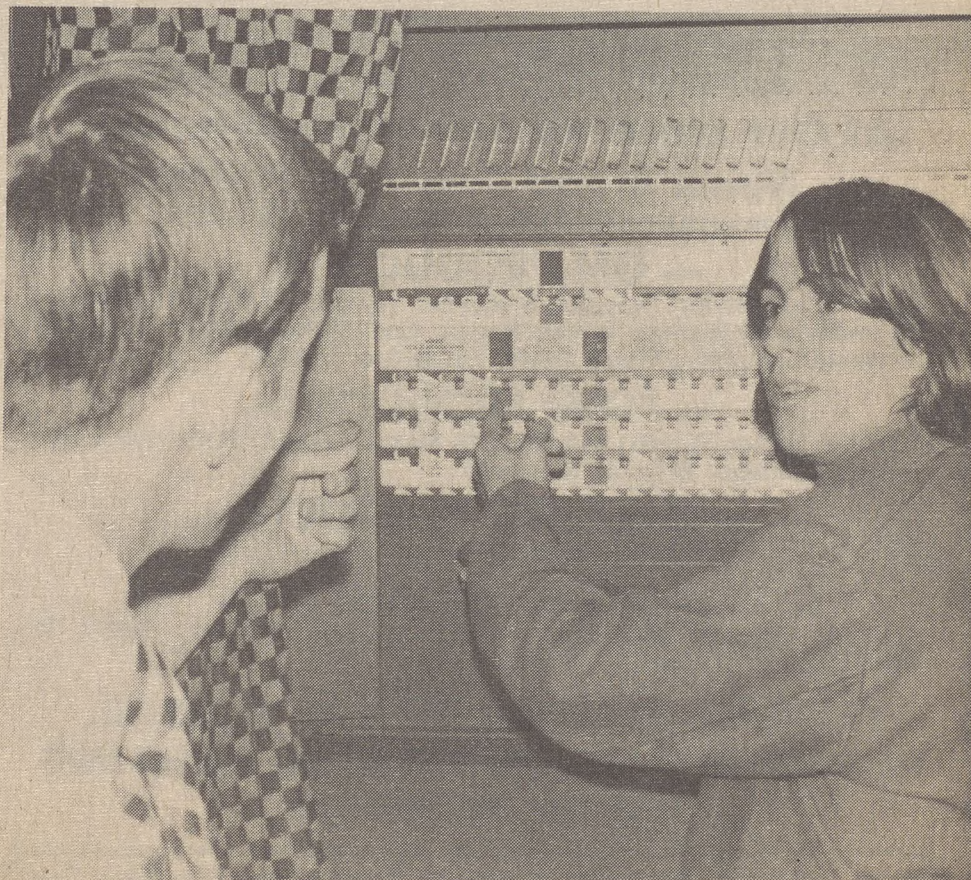
House of Representatives. Mr. Butler polled 181 votes against 160 for American Party candidate Warren D. Saunders, 75 for Democrat Paul Puckett and 43 for independent Timothy A. McGay.

In the closest race of the day, Republican A. R. Giesen Jr. won a seat in the Virginia Senate over Frank W. Nolen by 226-220.

The Democratic victory was recorded by Erwin S. Solomon, who defeated Gordon W. Poindexter Jr. for the House of Delegates by 278-170.

Provisions of the Virginia Blue Law were repealed by a vote of 295-119 and the college grant amendment was approved by 292-116.

Of 858 eligible students in grades 10-12, the election attracted 482, or 56 per cent. Members of the League of Women Voters worked at the polls and the City Electoral Board provided the voting machine. The project was sponsored by the school's social studies department.



**DEMONSTRATING** that he knows how to operate a voting machine, 11th grade voter Robbie Allen shows Waynesboro High School government teacher Mike Pace the five ballots to be voted on during yesterday's mock election at the local high school. Sponsored by the social studies department of

the school, the election saw 482 out of 858 "eligible voters" turn out to vote. The voting machine was loaned to the school by the Waynesboro Electoral Board and the polling place was operated by members of the Waynesboro League of Women Voters.

(N-V Photo by Bowman)



# Conservative unit backs 9 candidates

Nine of 10 Virginia members of the House of Representatives who are seeking re-election Nov. 5 have been endorsed by the Americans for Constitutional Action (ACA).

The lone representative not endorsed was G. William Whitehurst of the Second District, who ACA President Charles A. McManus said declined endorsement by the national non-partisan conservative political organization.

McManus said Whitehurst does not accept endorsement by any national organization out of his district.

Whitehurst and Rep. J. Kenneth Robinson of the Seventh District, both Republicans,

were given the highest rating among Virginia representatives on their voting records during the second session of the 93rd Congress.

Each received a rating of 93 per cent.

The nine House members from Virginia endorsed by the ACA were Sixth District Rep. M. Caldwell Butler, Fifth District Rep. W. C. (Dan) Daniel, Fourth District Rep. Robert W. Daniel Jr., First District Rep. Thomas N. Downing, Third District Rep. David E. Satterfield, Robinson, Eighth District Rep. Stanford E. Parris, Ninth District Rep. William C. Wampler, and 10th District Rep. Joel T. Broyhill.

In announcing the end

ment of the incumbents, McManus said, "ACA is honored to endorse such well qualified and dynamic members of Congress. Their voting records show that they have consistently voted for sound money, local self-government and individual freedom. They have continually opposed inflationary measures now felt so noticeably in the American household; a socialized economy; and a bureaucratic Federal government."

He said, "If every member of Congress voted as these men...there would be no federal debt, inflation would not be a problem, our national military strength would not be in question, and Americans would pay lower taxes."

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# We Need Veto-Proof Congress

TWICE the Democratic majority of the U. S. Senate has answered the Republican administration on television before the American people. The Republicans still refuse to listen to the Democratic majority and the recession the United States is presently in is continually growing worse. If the Republican administration does not produce a plan to bring the United States out of this recession it could lead to a depression possibly as devastating as the Depression in the early 1930s.

The Republican administration has called for a 5 per cent surcharge on Americans earning over \$15,000 a year. The American people are already too heavily taxed and the administration's suggestion could only add to the burden of the American wage earners. Instead, the Democratic majority has suggested raising inheritance tax on large estates and collecting more taxes from the rich, who now pay little or no tax and can most easily afford paying increased taxes.

The Democratic majority has suggested using wage and price controls to aid in curbing inflation, only to find they were talking to the deaf ears of a laissez-faire President. The rolling back of oil prices has also been suggested, but to no avail.

What is the Congress to do? Congress is trying to pass valuable legislation to stop the recession and inflation only to have it vetoed by the President. A President who insists that we do not need a veto-proof Congress, rather an inflation-proof Republican Congress that will agree with his laissez-faire economic policies. Policies that will not

## Letters Deadline

Letters on Nov. 5 election topics will not be accepted after noon Thursday, Oct. 30, and will not be published after Sunday, Nov. 3. Political letters raising new issues and not affording time to reply will not be published.—Editor's note.

stop recession or inflation but policies which can only worsen an already sagging economy.

In times such as now, the only answer is a veto-proof Congress that can and will be able to pass legislation which will curb inflation and return America to the road of prosperity.

ROY D. HAMPTON JR.

Roanoke

## Butler Record

TIRED OF hearing a lot of doubletalk from Republican and Democratic candidates, saying one thing (the side they think the voters want to hear) and voting the exact opposite once they get back to Washington?

Well, thank heavens, we've got an opportunity on Nov. 5 to knock one of them down, put him out to pasture so to speak.

We have in mind Congressman Caldwell Butler who made the headlines in The Roanoke Times, Sept. 29, with "Butler Launches Assault on Government Spending." This was Butler the

candidate. Now take a look at his record, or at Butler the congressman in action. From The Roanoke Times, May 24, the headline: "House Vote Favors Debt Ceiling Rise." And just under this headline, another: "Virginia's Vote on Debt Ceiling."

Yes, you guessed it. Under the second headline, voting to raise the debt ceiling was Congressman Butler's affirmative vote that pulled out still another plug to stop inflation. His vote helped to raise the national debt ceiling to \$495 billion!

Need we offer a better reason than this that Congressman Butler does not deserve to be returned to Washington in November?

PHIL CLORE

Roanoke

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## Tuesday's Election

The Sunday closing law, sale of mixed alcoholic beverages in the county, and a proposed constitutional amendment which would allow state financial grants to students attending private colleges will be before the voters next Tuesday, November 5.

Those questions will be in addition to the election of a member of the U.S. House of Representatives to represent Amherst County and the remainder of the Sixth Congressional District.

Wording of the special education segment on the Sunday Closing Law is:

Shall the provisions of Section 18.1-363.1 of the Code of Virginia (commonly known as the Sunday Closing Law) be effective in the County of Amherst?

A vote of "No" would mean that the voter favors stores and other businesses being allowed to open on Sundays if they wish. Currently only certain types of establishments, such as those selling food and other essential services, are allowed to open.

A vote of "yes" would mean that the voter favors stores and businesses remaining closed on Sundays as most are now.

Wording of the question on the sale of mixed alcoholic beverages in the county is:

May mixed alcoholic beverages be sold in Amherst County, Virginia, by restaurants licensed under Chapter 1.1 (section 4.98.1 et seq) of Title 4 of the Code of Virginia?

A vote of "yes" would mean the voter favors allowing restaurants who apply for and receive mixed drink licenses to sell mixed alcoholic drinks or cocktails.

A vote of "no" would indicate that the voter does not want county restaurants to be able to sell mixed drinks.

The proposed constitutional amendment is worded:

Shall Section 11 of Article VIII of the Constitution of Virginia be amended so as to allow grants to or on behalf of students attending nonprofit institutions of higher education and to empower the General Assembly to permit the State or any political subdivision thereof to contract with nonprofit institutions of higher education for the provision of educational or other related services?

A "yes" vote would indicate that the voter favors the possibility of scholarships of state money being made to students who attend private colleges and universities. A majority of yes votes would also allow the state, or any of its counties, cities or towns to contract with nonprofit private colleges for the provision of educational or other services. This is currently not possible.

Four candidates will appear on the ballot for the Sixth District Congressional seat. In addition to Republican incumbent M. Caldwell Butler, who has four years of seniority because he was first elected in 1972, followed by a new term, there are Democrat Paul Puckett, American Party Candidate Warren D. Saunders, and Independent Timothy A. McGay. The candidates drew for order of appearance on the ballot, and will appear McGay, Saunders, Puckett and Butler.



# EDITORIAL

Roanoke Tribune

## ELECTION COMMENTS . . .

Virginia voters will find two primary referendums on the ballot when they go to the polls to vote in the Tuesday, November 5, election. One is the controversial, much misunderstood and unenforceable "Blue Law;" the other, is an amendment to the Virginia Constitution which (if passed) would allow tuition grant assistance to students attending Virginia's private schools.

Perhaps many Virginians are not aware that the latter amendment has already been tried and rejected on the elementary and high school levels back in the early 60's. The bill soon lost its popularity when it was learned the grants (known of only by a few) were found to be available only to certain affluent families, who could well afford the private schools, and the general public, which voted for the amendment, had to attend the integrated schools with everybody else.

Tuesday's amendment to the Constitution is of the same nature but on the college level. It's a known fact that private schools are designed for one purpose—segregation, social and racial. We feel that anyone who chooses to exercise such prejudices—for whatever reason—should certainly support them and not expect those from whom they wish to be segregated, to help subsidize their prejudices.

Don't be conned again, Mr. and Mrs. Average Black & White Virginian, into thinking you or your child may receive tuition grant assistance to these private schools of higher learning. Remember Gov. Mills Godwin . . . ?

On the Blue Law referendum, we still contend that man-made laws which force religious customs on ALL people are not only unfair but unconstitutional. The Sunday Closing law is a Christian custom and all Virginians are not Christians. Those who are of their own volition stay out of any store or refuse to purchase any item on any day they see fit but no LAW should force them or anyone else to buy or not to buy on any particular day.

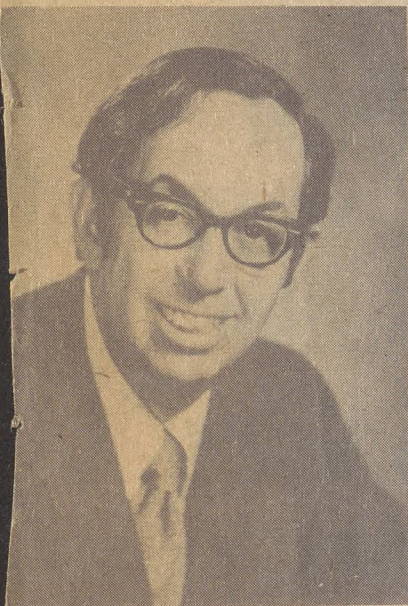
As for the candidates on the more local scene, we feel that there is little threat to Congressman M. Caldwell Butler's bid for re-election from this district. He is a man who is well known and well respected on the Hill—and that's half the battle. Also to his credit is the experience gained from his "rookie" years in the House which were two of the nation's most historic years.

Although there is yet much to be desired in Mr. Butler's relationship with the people he has been chosen to represent, we feel that he is a man that can be reached and who will listen. We had hoped that his No. 1 contender would have fought a cleaner fight but his entire campaign amounted to little more than the same old 'mud' warmed over.

YOUR VOTE IS IMPORTANT - BE SURE TO  
CAST IT ON NOVEMBER 5th!



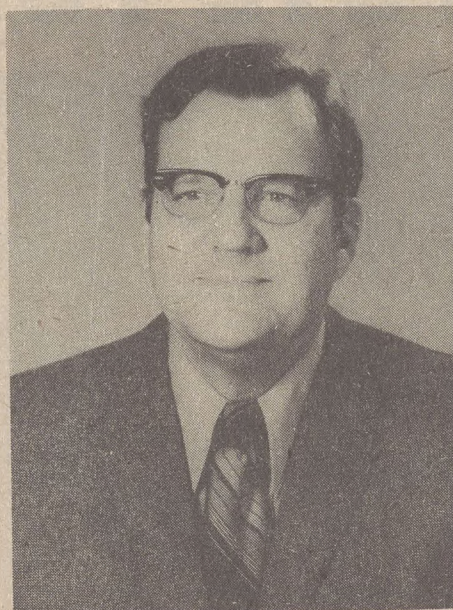
# Botetourt Voters To Cast Ballots For Congressman Tuesday



M. Caldwell Butler



Warren D. Saunders



Paul J. Puckett

Botetourt County voters will go to the polls next Tuesday to select a Sixth District Congressman from four candidates and cast votes on two public questions.

The four candidates contending for the Sixth District seat in the United States House of Representatives are:

--Incumbent Republican M. Caldwell Butler, who succeeded Republican Richard Poff two years ago in a victory over Democrat Willis Anderson and Independent Roy White.

--Democrat Paul J. Puckett, currently sheriff of the City of Roanoke.

--American Party candidate Warren D. Saunders, a Bedford County businessman.

--Independent Timothy McGay, an Augusta County farmer.

The two public questions on the ballot are:

--Sunday closing laws. A "No" vote will be for abolition of the current Sunday closing laws.

--Public aid to private colleges. A "Yes" vote on this constitutional amendment will permit state tuition assistance to students in private colleges that are not religiously affiliated.



The World-News, Roanoke, Va., Thursday, October 31, 1974

# Witty Butler breezes along

By OZZIE OSBORNE  
Political Writer

When Rep. Caldwell Butler was in Vinton yesterday for a breakfast of ham and eggs, hot biscuits and fried apples, a constituent told him he went to his office for help during last winter's fuel crisis and "thank the Lord, I got it."

Butler said he was glad of that, "but I wish you'd thank your congressman, too."

Butler also reminded Vinton Mayor Gus Nicks that he has nothing to do with annexation, adding "but you know what I'd tell the court if they asked me what to do, don't you? ... now, let's let it drop at that."

It was typical of the breezy way in which Butler is doing his campaigning—campaigning somewhat curtailed by his being tied up in Washington.

While he wisecracks a bit, Butler gets down to the nitty-gritty, too. Expectedly, he describes the Democrats as the big spenders; he says Congress hasn't done enough about the energy crisis; and he criticizes the federal government for meddling too much in the small businessman's business.

In 1972, Butler ran as a strong supporter of then President Nixon. Not surprisingly, he didn't mention his name in yesterday's campaigning except when the former presi-

dent's illness was brought up. Of Ford, he said little, only wondering at one point if his anti-inflation measures were strong enough.

And Butler ignored—as he nearly always does—his congressional opponents, Democrat Paul Puckett, independent Timothy McGay and Warren Saunders, the American party candidate.

Butler can, it would seem, ignore his opponents and not feel compelled to give all-out support to the national administration.

For, in campaigning with him, one gets a notion of the vast advantage an incumbent has—particularly an incumbent that got the publicity he did as a member of the House Judiciary Committee during the impeachment proceedings. He was recognized everywhere.

(Butler claims incumbency also has its disadvantages. For example, he notes, he must keep up with his congressional mail and other duties and, too, Congress being in session kept him from campaigning as much as his opponents).

"Oh, I knew who you were," said a lady on a Covington street even before he introduced himself.

A courthouse employe said

he used to be a Democrat, but Butler changed that. "I'm going to vote for you," he said.

"I'm praying for you," said a Negro man as he passed Butler in front of Covington GOP headquarters.

Generally, Butler hears in his campaigning what the other candidates hear: complaints about high prices and, in Vinton at least, some worry that inflation may be caused by outright gouging and profiteering by such outfits as the big oil and sugar firms.

Butler asked a campaign worker in Covington what the feeling was over his stand favoring the impeachment of Nixon.

The answer was blunt: party people for the most part were highly upset at first. But, said the worker, he thinks Butler will retain most of the Republican vote since it has nowhere else to go.

While Butler did not mention his opponents in his campaigning yesterday, he did at one point say to Ray Haymaker, Covington-Alleghany County GOP chairman, that he had learned in politics it is a cardinal rule to pick your opponents with care.

"After seeing Puckett and Saunders, I think you may have had something to do with it," replied Haymaker.



Rep. M. Caldwell Butler



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### ACA Endorses Congressman Butler

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Charles A. McManus, president of ACA, stated, "Representative Butler is best judged by his performance."



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### *Opens Headquarters*

Rep. M. Caldwell Butler, Sixth District congressman, was present in person Wednesday afternoon to cut a ribbon in front of his headquarters on West Main Street next to Ritter Finance. He was accompanied by Jeff Gregson, an aide, and got in some hand-shaking on Main Street during his visit. Several well-known local

Republicans were also present for the opening. From left are: Percy Riddleberger, William F. Earehart Jr., Wilbur T. Smith, William Hudson, Mrs. Margaret Sale, Rep. Butler, Ray Haymaker, and Teddy Humphries. Rep. Butler, a Republican, is seeking re-election to Congress in Tuesday's election. (Randy Gilbert Photo).



# DEMOCRAT

Bedford Bulletin - Democrat

OCTOBER 31, 1974

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## Vote Tuesday Will Decide Lively Race

The liveliest Congressional election in this area in several years will come to its day of decision next Tuesday, Nov. 5, Election Day 1974.

The nation will be electing a new House of Representatives, all 435 members, and 34 U.S. senators; Virginia will elect its ten members of the House of Representatives, and Bedford County and City will take part in the election of the representative for the Sixth Virginia District.

This post now is held by M. Caldwell Butler of Roanoke, Republican serving his first term in Congress, as successor to the ten-term Representative Richard H. Poff, now an associate justice of the Virginia Supreme Court.

### On the Ballot

Mr. Butler has three opponents, and their names will appear on the printed ballot in this county in this order: Timothy McGay of Augusta County, Independent; Warren D. Saunders of Goodview, candidate of the American Party; Paul J. Puckett, sheriff of Roanoke, the Democratic nominee, and Mr. Butler.

The election involves another issue, approval or rejection of an amendment to the Constitution of Virginia which would empower the General Assembly to provide for tuition grants for students in Virginia's private or non-state universities and colleges. The ballot will have "Yes" or "No" squares. Students in private colleges now can receive loans but not grants.

Voting hours will be from six a.m. to seven p.m. In Bedford City residents of the First Ward will vote in the brand new Bedford Firehouse on Bedford Avenue. In the Second Ward voting will be in the Municipal Building on East Main. The Norfolk and Western tracks form the dividing line between the wards.

In the county citizens will

vote in 26 precincts, which are listed, with the voting places, later in this account.

The four candidates have made this a livelier than usual campaign. Mr. Butler and his record have been the principal target for his three opponents. There has been criticism of his early support of the Nixon Administration, his vote for two counts for the impeachment of President Nixon, his comments on the nomination of former Governor Nelson Rockefeller to be Vice-President.

Mr. Butler is a member of the Judiciary Committee of the House of Representatives and as such must vote soon on the confirmation of Mr. Rockefeller. He has declared his position to be that as a member of this committee he must withhold a final decision until all the relevant information is in.

### All Visit Bedford

All four candidates have made at least two or three visits to Bedford or parts of the county. All four appeared together on a television forum set up by a Roanoke TV station last Sunday.

Records of the general registrars, Mrs. Margaret T. Overstreet for the County and Mrs. Marie Battin for the City, list 11,608 registered voters in the county and 2,942 in the city, a total of 14,550, believed to be the highest total yet.

However, followers of politics hardly expect next Tuesday's vote to exceed the record of 10,288 cast for President in County and City two years ago. In spite of marked interest in this congressional race, the vote usually is one or two thousand less in the mid-term elections for Congress than in years when the President is elected.

### New Registrations

But there has been evidence of unusual interest in this race. In the last two weeks before Mrs. Overstreet closed her registration books Oct. 5, she registered 240 new voters.

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## Butler Endorsed By ACA for Voting Record

WASHINGTON - Virginia's Sixth District Congressman M. Caldwell Butler was endorsed for reelection today by ACA (Americans for Constitutional Action). The non-partisan National organization, headquartered here, said it was endorsing Representative Butler because of his consistent voting record for constitutional principles.

Charles A. McManus, President of ACA, stated, "Representative Butler is best judged by his performance during the two years in which he has served in the House. His legislative record gives factual evidence of his valuable and unselfish service to our nation."

Americans for Constitutional Action (ACA) periodically rates all Members of Congress on issues which are of major national importance and adherence to constitutional principles. ACA's President state, "If every Member of Congress voted as Congressman Butler, there would be little or no Federal debt, inflation would not be a problem, our National military strength would not be in question, and Americans would be paying lower taxes."

Mr. McManus cited Congressman Butler's voting record as outstanding. "He puts the interest of the United States first and works continually for the preservation of constitutional government."

The endorsement by ACA brings to the Congressman the support of highly distinguished citizens, Democrats, Republicans and Independents, who are Members of ACA's Board of Trustees.



## Voters Will Go to Polls On Tuesday

Buena Vista voters will go the polls on Tuesday, November 5, to decide who will fill the vacancy in the 24th Senatorial District in the Virginia General Assembly, who will represent them in the U.S. Congress, and make a decision on state aid to private school students.

The polls will open at 6 a.m. on Tuesday and will close at 7 p.m., according to Mary Shewey, general registrar. Persons who have registered to vote in the first precinct will vote at the Municipal Building (council chambers) and those registered in the second precinct will vote at the Buena Vista Fire House.

Mrs. Shewey said results from the election should be available soon after the polls close because the voting machines make tabulations easier than when votes are counted by hand.

Listed on the ballot for the 24th Senatorial District race are Democrat Frank Nolen and Republican Arthur "Pete" Giesen. The senatorial candidates are vying for the seat left vacant when former Virginia state senator H.D. Dawborn resigned several weeks ago.

Balloting for the Sixth Congressional District seat, now held by incumbent M.

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## Election

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Caldwell Butler, will be among Republican Butler, Democratic candidate Paul Puckett, American Party candidate Warren Saunders and Independent Tim McGay.

Also listed for decision by local voters is an amendment to the Virginia Constitution which, if approved, would provide state financial assistance to students attending private, non-profit schools of higher education in Virginia. The amendment has received wide support from state educators, as well as Gov. Mills Godwin. The General Assembly also strongly endorsed the amendment during the last legislative session.

In full, the amendment reads:

Shall section 11 of Article 8 of the Constitution of Virginia be amended so as to allow grants to or on behalf of students attending non-profit institutions of higher education and to empower the General Assembly to permit the state or any political subdivision thereof to contract with non-profit institutions of higher education for the provision of educational or related services?

Voters will be asked to vote either "yes" or "no" on the amendment.

Mrs. Shewey also asked that voters be "sympathetic" with poll workers on Tuesday. She said that it was necessary that all persons who wanted to vote be asked their names and addresses.

She said she could understand that some people might be offended by their "next door neighbor asking who they were," but that in order to avoid confusion at the polls, the questions were necessary.

"I have worked the polls," laughed Mrs. Shewey, "and I know that by the end of the day, you feel like asking who you are. Please ask that the voters cooperate with our poll workers."



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THE RECORDER, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31, 1974

## Multiple Ballots For Tuesday Vote

Voters in Bath and Highland counties will go to the polls Tuesday to vote for national, state and local representatives, and to vote on a proposed amendment to the state constitution.

In Bath and Highland counties, voters will choose among Democratic Candidate Paul Puckett, American Party Candidate Warren D. Saunders, Independent Timothy A. McGay and Republican Candidate M. Caldwell Butler, the incumbent, for the Sixth District Congressional seat.

Voters in both counties will decide between Democrat Erwin S. "Shad" Solomon of Hot Springs and Republican Gordon W. Poindexter Jr. of Waynesboro in the 15th Legislative District special election for the unexpired term in the Virginia House of Delegates. The term will expire January 14, 1976.

Highland County voters will have to decide between Democrat Frank W. Nolen and Republican Arthur R. Giesen Jr., both of Staunton, candidates in the special election for the 24th Senatorial seat for the unexpired term that ends January 14, 1974.

In Bath County, Larry R. Denius, Clarence F. McMullen and Billy D. Thorne are the candidates for the special election for supervisor in the Valley Springs Magisterial District. The term, which was vacated by Lee-Roy Vess, Jr. after last year's special election, expires December 31, 1975.

Two district directors of the Mountain District of the Soil and Water Conservation Commission will be elected in both Bath and Highland. In Bath, the two candidates who qualified for this race are J. Leo Lockridge and Edward T. Walters; in Highland there are also two candidates, Malcolm W. Hill and William R. Stephenson Jr.

Both counties will also vote on a proposed amendment to the state constitution which would provide grants-in-aid for students attending nonprofit private colleges, universities and other schools of higher learning.



## What Our Readers Think

Dear Editor:

It is both an honor and a privilege for me to inform you that your Congressman, Rep. M. Caldwell Butler, has been chosen to receive your Federation's annual "Guardian of Small Business" award.

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This is a unique award based upon Congressman Butler's voting record on Mandate ballot issues. To be eligible for our award, he had to score 80 percent or better on the votes reported in NFIB's "How Congress Voted on Mandate Issues," which you received earlier this year.

NFIB's award recipients are strong supporters of small, independent business. They pay close attention to the views of their small business constituency and cast their votes accordingly. They are committed to the preservation of competition within our free enterprise system, and many are involved in legislative causes of special interest to you and your fellow small businessmen.

Congressman Butler has proven himself a true friend of small business and I felt you should be told about his efforts in your behalf.

Sincerely,

Wilson S. Johnson  
President



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## 2 congressional candidates give Lynchburg Lions economic views

Sixth District Congressional candidates incumbent Republican Rep. M. Caldwell Butler and independent Timothy A. McGay discussed today's economic issues at a luncheon meeting of the Lynchburg Lions Club Thursday at the Holiday Inn south.

The other two Sixth District candidates—Democrat Paul J. Puckett and American Party candidate Warren D. Saunders—had spoken to the club at its September meeting.

Speaking first Thursday Congressman Butler said he found "the job I was elected to was not the job I ran for," but he added that he felt his principles of two years ago when he first won election were still in tact.

Butler said he still felt the primary cause of inflation in the United States today was excessive government spending and criticized Congress for failure to tighten the federal purse strings.

"In the spectrum of the Congress today I am a fiscal conservative," Butler said enumerating a number of awards presented him "for my watchdog attitude on the federal budget."

Butler pointed to the areas of foreign aid and defense as those which might be budgeted more closely.

"I feel that a well-equipped armed forces is the key to national defense but I do not feel that the defense budget cannot be cut without jeopardizing our defense," he said.

Other areas in which Butler expressed disappointment at

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Butler said he had campaigned on many of these issues two years ago and felt that those measures regarding them which had been adopted were inadequate.

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**LIONS CLUB SPEAKERS** — Participating in the Lynchburg Lions Club luncheon program Thursday were, left to right, Sixth District Congressional candidates incumbent Republican Rep. M. Caldwell Butler and independent Timothy A. McGay, and Raymond H. Williamson, who introduced the two candidates.  
(Jimmy Ripley Photo)



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# Two House Candidates Discuss Economic Issues

By JAYNE GRIFFIN  
News Staff Writer

Two candidates for Congress from the Sixth Congressional District were in Lynchburg Thursday to address a luncheon meeting of the Lynchburg Lions Club.

Speaking before the gathering at Holiday Inn South were incumbent Rep. M. Caldwell Butler and Independent Timothy A. McGay.

At the September meeting Roanoke City Sheriff Paul J. Puckett, the Democratic nominee, and American Party candidate Warren D. Saunders of Bedford.

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"I have tried to be bold and

creative in my campaign and have financed the entire cost personally with \$750," he said.

During a question and answer period which followed the speeches, McGay said he felt it was time for more responsible

leadership in both business and labor.

"I feel labor needs someone who will tell George Meany off when necessary. I think the idea of labor asking for pay increases when production has

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been down for the past three quarters is irresponsible," he said.

Butler said he had found it a very enlightening experience to discover the power of organized labor in Congress.

"Often votes are changed because of pressure from labor," he said.

In a similar vein, Butler added he felt Virginia's RightTo-Work Law would be the first casualty of a "veto-proof" Congress.

Both men said they were opposed to further federal aid to public education with Butler saying he felt it should not be expanded even though "it is a fact of life."

McGay said he felt education was better left to the states.



to cut state spending."

Calling for the election of Mr. Giesen, Mr. Butler said the Senate candidate "probably has had more important committee assignments than any other delegate," including Appropriations, Privileges and Elections, and Rules. "He rose to the top," Mr. Butler said of the former House minority leader, "and he has given first-class representation to the Commonwealth and this area."

The incumbent Sixth District Congressman also endorsed Mr. Poindexter, saying "I have respect for his ability and he has demonstrated that he will be a conscientious public servant. It is important that we elect a delegate from Waynesboro."

Serving as toastmaster today was Del. J. Marshall Coleman.

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## Poindexter Asks Borrowing Ban; Butler Sees Tight Votes

Meeting over breakfast with Republican supporters here today, congressional candidate M. Caldwell Butler predicted "three close races," State Senate candidate A. R. Giesen Jr. pledged "to get the pocketbook squeeze off the

people," and House of Delegates candidate Gordon W. Poindexter Jr. called for a moratorium on all non-emergency borrowing by state and local governments.

Speaking in a light-hearted vein to about 80 people at the General Wayne Motor Inn, Mr.

Butler said, "All three of these races appear close. My opponents are spending money like I didn't know they had. Most lazy voters are Republicans; they are out there, but they have got to be prodded. This places a premium on people like you who know how to get out the votes. This is the time you're really going to be tested."

Mr. Giesen, former member of the House who now seeks the senatorial post vacated by H. D. Dawbarn, charged that Democratic candidates for the General Assembly "have not come to grips with the big issue — inflation. They're talking about it but they are not giving any solutions. We have made at least five major economic proposals. Yes, there is a choice at the polls. We're going to get the pocketbook squeeze off the people."

In a prepared statement, Mr. Poindexter said:

"In addition to our proposals for repealing laws that are inflationary in effect and investing state funds in banks outside our big cities across the Commonwealth, we now call for a moratorium on borrowing by state and local governments except for expenditures with absolute emergency priority."

"Such a moratorium, which should begin at once and be continued until economic conditions improve, will make it easier for average Virginians to get the loans they need for their homes, small businesses and farms."

Mr. Poindexter prefaced his proposal by saying, "The most effective short-term action the state government can take to help the average citizen in today's dollar-and-cents crisis is

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NOT WAVING AT CAMERA, but making a point, Sixth District Rep. M. Caldwell Butler speaks this morning to a Republican breakfast gathering. Seated (from left) are State

Senate candidate A. R. Giesen Jr., Del. J. Marshall Coleman and House of Delegates candidate Gordon W. Poindexter Jr.

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# 6th District race involves 4 candidates, one issue

By OZZIE OSBORNE  
Political Writer

Traveling with congressional candidates in Virginia's 6th District, one gets the impression that people are more worried about the price of sugar than the scandals that have erupted in Washington.

That, of course, is an over-simplification.

But one thing is definitely clear: the current raging inflation is the No. 1 thing on peoples' minds.

Most appear to have at least partly forgotten Watergate, and hard feelings toward Rep. Caldwell Butler over his stand in favor of impeachment of former President Nixon appar-

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*An article of analysis and opinion intended to help interpret and clarify the news.*

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ently will not be a major factor in the outcome next Tuesday in the 6th.

(A Lynchburg Republican put his feelings like this: "I'm campaigning for Caldwell even though he led in the lynching of Nixon.")

Inflation as the major issue in the race is reflected in the campaigning of the four candidates.

All bear down on the need to balance the federal budget. Butler blames the Democrats

for over-spending, Democrat Paul Puckett blames the Republicans, while Warren Saunders, the American party candidate, and Timothy McGay, independent, blame both.

But while the candidates say a balanced budget would be a major factor in halting inflation, some voters are giving the impression they feel that inflation, to a large extent, is being caused by steadily rising prices of sugar, oil and other products.

Butler, the Republican candidate, conceded in a talk to a Vinton group that he was "shocked" at the huge profits being made in ..... sugar — "particularly since that is a protected industry."

He said it might be proper for a congressional investigation to be made of this.

Peripheral issues that appear to be fretting 6th District voters are concern over morality in government (as expressed mainly by college students); concern over the power of labor in politics (a favorite topic among civic club members) and worry over the U. S. role in the world and its foreign aid program.

(A Lions Club member in Lynchburg wanted to know if the \$1.5 billion being requested by India couldn't be better spent in the 6th District.)

Somewhat incongruously—considering that people feel that hard times are here and

that things in general are in frightful shape—most of the candidates find disinterest in the race and expect a rather light turnout Nov. 5.

(A Covington woman expressed it like this: "What difference does it make who's elected? Everything's hopeless anyway.")

"Apathy is my big problem," said Saunders, whom many think has conducted the most effective campaign.

"The students here haven't shown any great excitement over any of the candidates," said James Lampman, assistant professor of

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government at Lynchburg's community college.

Generally, political pundits believe that no more than half the registered voters will go to the polls.

The political "experts" also believe that Butler will win rather easily with more than 50 per cent of the vote.

It isn't that Butler has conducted that effective a campaign, but, rather, that he has the advantage of being an incumbent in a district that has elected Republican congressmen for two decades. Butler is believed to

have gained votes, too, with his impeachment stand.

Saunders, admittedly, is the most talked about candidate and the big question mark. He has created an image with his highly professional campaign, but politicians can't figure out if he has turned people on or off.

Puckett's campaign has never seemed to really catch hold. Lack of money has been a problem for him but, some feel, a bigger drawback has been his failure to effectively articulate his position on the various issues.

The campaign of the fourth candidate, independent McGay, has been generally ineffectual



# Impeachment Issue Fa

By Helen Dewar

Washington Post Staff Writer

ROANOKE, Va.—When House Judiciary Committee member M. Caldwell Butler (R-Va.) came out for impeachment of then President Nixon last July, two staunch Butler supporters threatened to sit out his re-election campaign.

Now the two Nixon loyalists, one from each end of his western Virginia Sixth District, have reconciled themselves to Butler's stand and are out raising money for his re-election.

Leaders of both parties — Democrats privately, Republicans publicly — say Butler is heavily favored to win a second term in a district that gave Nixon and Agnew 72.7 per cent of the vote in 1972, the ticket's highest percentage in Virginia.

Not only has the anti-impeachment fervor subsided among all but the most loyal Nixon supporters, they say, but Butler has made inroads among Democrats and independents, leading some observers to believe Butler's impeachment vote was a plus in this once heavily pro-Nixon district.

Butler doesn't go quite



6th Congressional District

The Washington Post

that far but says, "On balance, it certainly has not had any adverse effect."

Tom Nolan, campaign manager for Democratic candidate Paul J. Puckett, the sheriff of Roanoke, agrees. "The idea came across, Caldwell the Statesman," he said ruefully.

Much of the opposition to Butler's impeachment vote, coupled with his nationally televised proclamation of moral outrage over Water-

gate wrongdoings, dissipated when Mr. Nixon resigned.

Some people personally apologized for their earlier criticism after the resignation, Butler said. "Some thought it took a lot of courage (to vote for impeachment)," he said recently, "though I'm not sure it did in light of what we had before us at the time. I'm not sure I had a lot of choice."

If Butler is in any trouble, observers say, it is for other reasons, principally the presence on the ballot of a conservative independent, American Party candidate Warren D. Saunders, who is spending heavily on media advertising for his anti-party, anti-politician message.

Sixth District Republican Chairman William B. Poff predicts that Butler will win easily even if, as Poff expects, Saunders gets 20 per cent of the vote, taking most of it from Butler rather than Puckett.

Puckett supporters are clinging to the hope that Saunders, a Bedford businessman whose backing includes key George Wallace supporters in the area,

might pull enough votes away from Butler to push their man over the top.

But leading Democrats concede the prospects are slim.

A fourth candidate in the race, Timothy McGay, a young Augusta County farmer, is not expected to gather enough votes to influence the outcome.

One reason that Butler's impeachment performance has not been a factor in the race is that his opponents have been unwilling or unable to use it against him.

Puckett advocated impeachment before Butler did. Saunders ignores the issue, preferring instead to hammer away at the question that dominates his advertising: "Had enough of the Democrats and Republicans? — Fight political pollution."

Butler, 49, who waged an extensive person-to-person campaign two years ago to defeat former State Del. Willis M. Anderson, who was regarded as a stronger challenger than Puckett, has appeared in every area of the district but done little hard campaigning.

His campaign contribu-

tions are down, but he has partial responsibility for that. He has asked for gifts no larger than \$500 and has refused contributions from special-interest funds, which he figures has cost him about \$20,000 based on what he received from them in 1972.

Nonetheless, his campaign lieutenants estimate he will spend about \$55,000. Saunders expects to spend about \$50,000, half of it from himself. Puckett has raised only \$20,000, according to Nolan.

Unlike some of his Republican congressional colleagues from Virginia, Butler did not criticize President Ford's early pardon of Mr. Nixon, saying it was presidential prerogative and an act of sincerity.

But he renewed his sharp criticism of Watergate as recently as last Tuesday when he told a Hollins College crowd that events leading to the Nixon resignation were "shocking and foreign to our American system of government."

Butler has kept his distance from President Ford, expressing misgivings about his strength as a leader and declining to use television spots made when the then-Vice President visited Roanoke on Butler's behalf in July.

"I think he's bright enough to do the job but it's going to take the country a while to adjust to him and his style," said Butler.



COVINGTON VIRGINIAN, FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 1, 1974

## Butler Endorsed By Two Papers

Sixth District Congressman M. Caldwell Butler has been endorsed for reelection by the Roanoke Times and the Staunton Leader.

The Roanoke Times was the first paper in the Sixth District to endorse a candidate. In an editorial which appeared October 26, the paper called Butler's first-term record "suprisingly historic."

The endorsement said that Butler "did his homework, voted, and did not neglect his duties." The Times also praised his performance on the House Judiciary Committee in-

vestigating grounds for impeachment of former President Nixon as "calm and fair."

The Staunton Leader's endorsement came in an editorial October 28.

Butler's record in the House of Representatives "adheres to conservative philosophy...but he has been progressive and not reactionary," the Leader said.

The editorial also said Butler has the "experience, knowledge, and courage the district and the nation need in the House of Representatives."



# Area Voters Have 8 Candidates To Choose From On Election Day

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When the voters of this area go to the polls Tuesday they will have their pick from among eight candidates vying for three offices.

Three of the candidates are lawyers, two are businessmen, one is an engineer, one is a city sheriff and one is an economist-turned farmer. And, because this is at least a semi-rural area — despite the cities — two or more of the candidates also list farming in their biographies.

Voters will be choosing from among four candidates in the Sixth District race: M. Caldwell Butler, the incumbent, is a lawyer and a Republican; Paul J. Puckett, the Democratic Party standard bearer, is a city sheriff; Timothy A. McGay is a economist who decided to take up farming and is running as an Independent; Warren D. Saunders, the American Party candidate, is a businessman.

Running for the 24th Senatorial District seat in the Virginia General Assembly are businessman and Republican Arthur R. "Pete" Giesen Jr. and Frank W. Nolen, engineer and Democrat.

Two lawyers will square off for the 15th Legislative District seat in the General Assembly: Republican Gordon W. Poin-dexter Jr. and Democrat Erwin S. "Shad" Solomon.

Following are short biographical sketches of the candidates, grouped by office sought:

## Sixth District

M. Caldwell Butler, 49, graduated Phi Beta Kappa from the University of Richmond and took his law degree at the University of Virginia School of Law.

He was elected to the Virginia House of Delegates in 1962 and from 1966 to 1971 was House

minority leader. He was elected to the Sixth District seat in 1972.

In Congress, he is a member of the House Judiciary Committee.

He is married to the former June Nolde of Richmond and they have four sons.

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Prior to his appointment as sheriff, he was a stockbroker for Wheat and Co., and before that, director of training for Abbott, Proctor and Paine. He was also manager of the Lamp Division for Westinghouse Electric Corp.

He is married to the former Eva Long of Clifton Forge and they have two daughters.

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A native of Bedford County, he is married to the former Betty Martin of Bedford County. They have three sons.

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He began his farming operation some four years ago,

just before graduating from Auburn.

He is married to the former Patricia Simms of Gaden, Ala., and they have a son and a daughter.

## State Senate

Arthur R. "Pete" Giesen Jr., a native of Radford, was a member of the House of Delegates for 11 years before he resigned earlier this year to seek the Senate seat vacated by H. D. Dawbarn.

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### **Your Guess?**

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Almost everyone's predicting close votes in the two General Assembly races on Tuesday.

A pair of mock elections this week tend to confirm the forecast. At Waynesboro High School, students "elected" Republican Pete Giesen to the Senate and Democrat Shad Solomon to the House. At Ft. Defiance High School on the same day, students also voted a split ticket, but they reversed it. Democrat Frank Nolen got the Senate nod and Republican Gordon Poindexter the House seat.

At both schools, Republican Caldwell Butler captured a second term in Congress by comfortable margins, again confirming what the prognosticators have been saying.



## BUTLER GAINS SUPPORT OF TWO MORE PAPERS

Sixth District Rep. M. Caldwell Butler was endorsed for re-election this week by the Roanoke World News and the Waynesboro News Virginian.

The World News praised Butler's first term as a "good solid performance, with flashes of real insight into the issue." The endorsement noted that Butler "does his homework, and, more often than not, votes from conviction rather than convenience."

The News Virginian praised Butler for the "unusual pains" which he has taken to give full representation to the Northern counties of the Sixth District, which until two years ago were part of Virginia's Seventh District.

"He has gone beyond the call of duty in seeking to make this area feel 'at home' in its new political surroundings," the endorsement said.

Butler opened a District office in Waynesboro shortly after taking office, holds regular "Open Door" meetings throughout the area, and has held farm and senior citizens conferences there.

Butler's first term performance "easily has been of sufficient caliber to warrant his continuation in this important office," the News Virginian said.

Four papers in the Sixth District have endorsed Butler. The Roanoke Times endorsed Butler Oct. 26, and the Staunton Leader called for his re-election Oct. 28.

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## FOUR IN HOUSE RACE

# Lighter Voter Turnout Forecast Here Tuesday

By JAYNE GRIFFIN

News Staff Writer

Four men will be seeking election to Congress from Virginia's Sixth District in Tuesday's general election with voter turnout in Lynchburg expected to be considerably lighter than then 18,112 who cast votes in the 1972 election.

In addition, voters in Lynchburg will be given an opportunity to decide on the Sunday closing law for the city and on a constitutional amendment granting state aide to students attending private colleges in Virginia.

The four in the Congressional race include incumbent M. Caldwell Butler of Roanoke, a Republican; Paul J. Puckett, Roanoke City Sheriff and a Democrat; American Party member Warren D. Saunders, a Bedford businessman who will appear on the ticket as an Independent, and Independent Timothy A. McGay of Goshen, a farmer.

During the 1972 election, Butler carried the city of Lynchburg by a nearly two-to-one margin over his closest opponent Roanoker Willis M. (Wick) Anderson. A third candidate in 1972, Roy M. White, also of Roanoke, received 789 votes.

This year Butler's chances of reelection have been somewhat dampened by his votes for impeachment during the House Judiciary Committee hearings.

Butler voted in favor of two of the five articles, a move which brought angry and obscene phone calls to his home and office and reportedly left him abandoned by many staunch GOP supporters.

In Lynchburg, Victor Vernon, former chairman of the Lynchburg City Republican Committee, resigned from the committee saying he could not support Butler after his impeachment stand.

But Vernon pointed out he would not be supporting any of the other candidates.

Roanoke City Sheriff Paul J. Puckett has appeared often in Lynchburg since receiving the Democratic nomination in July. He has challenged Butler on the issues of the economy, saying Butler had aided the Nixon administration in the "mismanagement of the nation's economy."

But Puckett and Butler did agree on the fate of Richard Nixon with Puckett calling for his resignation "for the good of the country" long before the Judiciary Committee began its hearings.

Warren Saunders, who has used as his campaign slogan, "Have you had enough of the Democrats and Republicans?" says he would caucus with the people of the Sixth District if elected rather than with the Democrats and Republicans.

Saunders, a 35-year-old businessman who owns and operates the Saunders Co., a fertilizer distribution firm in Amherst County,

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## Virginia: 'Fresh faces'

RICHMOND (AP) — State Democratic leaders are guardedly optimistic while their Republican counterparts are admittedly "running scared" on the eve of the 1974 congressional elections in Virginia.

"I think the voters don't believe the Republicans have the solutions to our current economic problems," said Democratic state chairman Joseph T. Fitzpatrick in predicting significant party gains in Tuesday's balloting.

"In my opinion," he added, "our people are looking for fresh faces in Congress."

George McMath, the state GOP chairman, conceded that it wasn't a year for Republicans to take anything for granted.

"But I think we're in good shape overall and I'm confident that if we can get out the vote, all of our incumbents will win," he said.

Getting out the vote may be something of a problem if there's any truth to the belief that Americans have been disheartened and turned-off by an incredible catalogue of political scandals in Washington.

Predictions of the voter turnout in

Virginia are ranging well below the 1 million-plus cast in the 1973 gubernatorial election and perhaps not much more than half the 1.4 million counted in the 1972 Nixon landslide.

No one seems quite certain whether ballot box indifference would rebound to the benefit of the state's seven Republican incumbents or their Democratic challengers.

It certainly won't matter to Democratic Reps. Thomas N. Downing of the Tidewater 1st District and W.C. "Dan" Daniels of the southside 5th District. They have no opposition.

And it would hardly seem to bother Democratic Rep. David E. Satterfield III of the Richmond-area 3rd District, an almost certain shoo-in over U.S. Labor Party candidate Alan R. Ogden.

But apathy could be a factor in some of the close contests expected in the other seven districts where Republican incumbents are facing aggressive challenges from Democratic opponents.

If the ballot projections turn out to be greater than anticipated, it may be due

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# Wampler, Butler Differ

By WAYNE WOODLIEF  
Times Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON — How to handle loyalty to Richard Nixon—as president and party leader—was a delicate balancing act for most Republicans in Congress the past two years, and their individual deftness at the job may determine which of them will be back here next year.

Two Southwest Virginia Republicans, freshman Rep. Caldwell Butler of Roanoke and veteran Rep. William C. Wampler of Bristol, differed in their approaches to Nixon loyalty.

Butler, a member of the House Judiciary Committee, voted to impeach the President because the committee's impeachment investigation revealed abuses of presidential power which, Butler said, "I cannot condone . . . I cannot excuse . . . and I cannot and will not stand still for."

But Butler was a consistent supporter of Nixon administration programs, upholding vetoes against minimum wage increases and other spending that Nixon deemed inflationary; voting against food stamps for strikers; voting to let the President, instead of Congress, decide what is an excessive oil and coal industry profit; and voting against oil price roll-backs.

Wampler, the ranking Republican member on the House Agriculture Committee, agonized over impeachment. He generally deplored the Watergate affair and its related abuses, but never said whether he would impeach Nixon. "We are creating precedents which could haunt this country for years and I want to be very careful what I do," Wampler told a reporter the week before Nixon resigned.

Wampler also lacked Butler's consistency in his approach to supporting Nixon legislatively, especially on Nixon's attempts to offset his administration's own swollen federal budget by cutting Democratic-backed social spending programs.

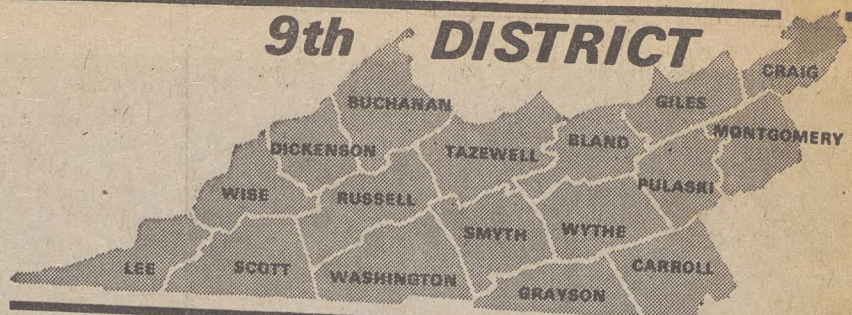
Wampler, whose mountain district is lower-income and more economically distressed than Butler's, sometimes had to juggle his district's interests against his conservative philosophy and party loyalty.

Wampler's stand in 1973 and 1974 on the minimum wage bill illustrates that balancing act. In August of 1973, Wampler voted for and Butler voted against a bill to raise the minimum wage to \$2.20 an hour and extend coverage to about five million federal, state and local government workers plus one million domestics.

Nixon said the bill would feed inflation, and vetoed it. Butler voted to uphold the veto, and, in a switch from his previous position, so did Wampler, one of 11 Republicans so to switch, as the House failed to override the veto. The minimum wage increase was killed for 1973.

This year, both Wampler and Butler

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wound up voting for an even larger minimum wage bill, though both also voted (on the losing side) for amendments which would have limited its coverage and cost.

Butler's vote for the 1974 bill—which gradually raises the minimum wage to \$2.30 and extends coverage to seven million additional workers—was one of his rare legislative inconsistencies.

Wampler sometimes did his balancing act to his potential political peril. For instance, one of the most disputed issues of his current campaign against Democrat Charles Horne is whether Wampler, as Horne charges, really voted against \$968,712,000 in black lung benefits for miners in 1972.

The answer, unraveled from legislative complexity, is yes and no. "Congressional Quarterly," a research publication respected for its objectivity,

reported that "Wampler didn't vote against black lung benefits, but rather against an appropriations bill containing the benefits; he later voted for a revised bill which still contained the benefits."

In the sense that the nearly \$1 billion in black lung benefits was part of a \$30 billion-plus health, education and welfare appropriations bill which Nixon called "reckless federal spending" Wampler voted against it. It passed anyway.

The bill became part of the continuing struggle between the Nixon administration and the Democratic congressional majority over federal spending. Nixon vetoed the bill, and forced Congress to come back with a new one, with roughly \$900 million lopped off, but the \$968,712,000 in black lung benefits still intact.

Wampler voted for that bill. Nixon pocket-vetoed it. Congress then came back with a "continuing resolution"



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which provided the full black lung benefits under separate legislation. Wampler voted for the resolution, and thus for the benefits.

Other bills in 1973 and 1974 also illustrate the difference in the Butler-Wampler approach: Butler usually consistent in opposing the spending program, even on final passage; Wampler sometimes voting for the social program funding on final passage, after voting to reduce the funding on earlier amendments.

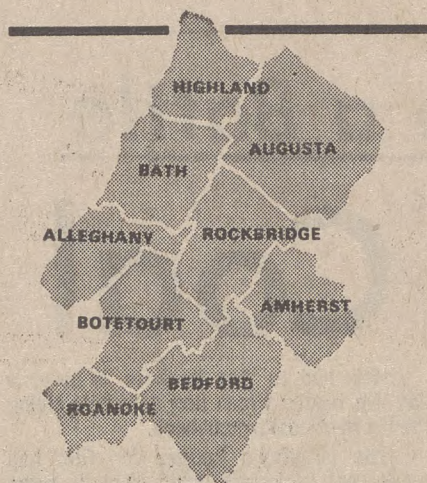
Examples include:

Older Americans Bill, 1973: Nixon claimed that a \$1.4 billion federal program to assist older Americans was excessive. Wampler and Butler both voted for a substitute bill, offered by Rep. Earl Landgrebe, R-Ind., for a \$501 million program of grants to states. Landgrebe said the more costly bill "doesn't do more for older people. It does more for the bureaucracy."

But the Landgrebe substitute was defeated. Wampler then voted for the Older Americans Act. Butler voted against it.

Vocational Rehabilitation Bill, 1973: Landgrebe—who said during Nixon's last days that he would oppose impeachment even if he and Nixon had to be taken out and shot—introduced a substitute bill to cut a \$2.6 billion authorization for rehabilitation by more than half.

Wampler and Butler voted for the Landgrebe substitute. It lost. Wampler then voted for the bill; Butler against it.



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Nixon vetoed that bill, and forced the House to come back with one for \$1.3 billion. Both Wampler and Butler voted for the new bill.

Oil price rollbacks: Wampler was the only Virginia congressman to consistently vote to roll back gas and oil prices during 1973 and 1974. Butler opposed such rollbacks, which the Nixon administration argued would lead to shortages and rationing.

Wampler—like Butler—did, however,

vote on Dec. 13 for an amendment which would have protected windfall profits in the oil and coal industries from judicial review.

The amendment also would have permitted the President instead of Congress, to define reasonable profits, and to propose excess profits taxes and regulations.

When the amendment failed, Butler voted against the bill, which would have imposed an excess profits tax on the oil and gas industry. Wampler voted for the bill.

In February 1974, the House passed an emergency energy bill ordering oil price rollbacks. Butler opposed the bill. Wampler voted for it after he had joined others in an unsuccessful attempt to permit a host of floor amendments intended to blunt the impact of the rollback on the industry.

Wampler continued to vote for a price rollback, and Butler against it on subsequent votes. But the fading of the energy crisis, filibustering by oil-state senators and veto threats helped prevent any of the rollback and excess profits legislation from becoming law.

On consumer protection, Butler received one of the worst ratings in the nation from the Consumer Federation of America—an 8 per cent—with the "right" vote on 13 issues.

Wampler got a 39 per cent rating from the association. Wampler voted for the consumer protection agency bill.



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# Area Voters Go To Polls Tuesday

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By LAWSON MARSHALL  
*News State Editor*

Area voters will have to decide a wide range of questions when they go to the polls Tuesday.

With congressional, state and local questions appearing on the ballots in different combinations, the items on the ballots range from a single issue in Appomattox County to four questions in Amherst County.

With Rep. W. C. (Dan) Daniel running unopposed in the Fifth District, the only real question in Appomattox will be the proposed constitutional amendment allowing the state to grant tuition aid to students attending private colleges.

Even though Daniel is running unopposed in Campbell and Pittsylvania counties, local issues have been added to those ballots.

Along with the constitutional amendment, Campbell County voters will decide whether or not they want the Sunday closing law in effect.

In Pittsylvania County, the voters will decide the fate of a proposed \$2 million school bond issue for the construction of a vocational center.

In Bedford County and Bedford City, voters will choose between independents Timothy A.

McGay and Warren D. Saunders, Democrat Paul Puckett and Republican incumbent M. Caldwell Butler in the Sixth District congressional race.

In addition, these voters also will vote on the constitutional amendment.

Buena Vista residents will have the same choices.

In Rockbridge County, a local race will be added to the Sixth District and constitutional questions.

Rockbridge voters will choose between Jack Smith and Robert L. Kemp for commissioner of the revenue. In the Natural Bridge District, Maynard Reynolds is running unopposed for the supervisor's post.

Lexington voters will decide whether they want liquor by the drink at the same time they vote in the Sixth District race and decide on the constitutional amendment.

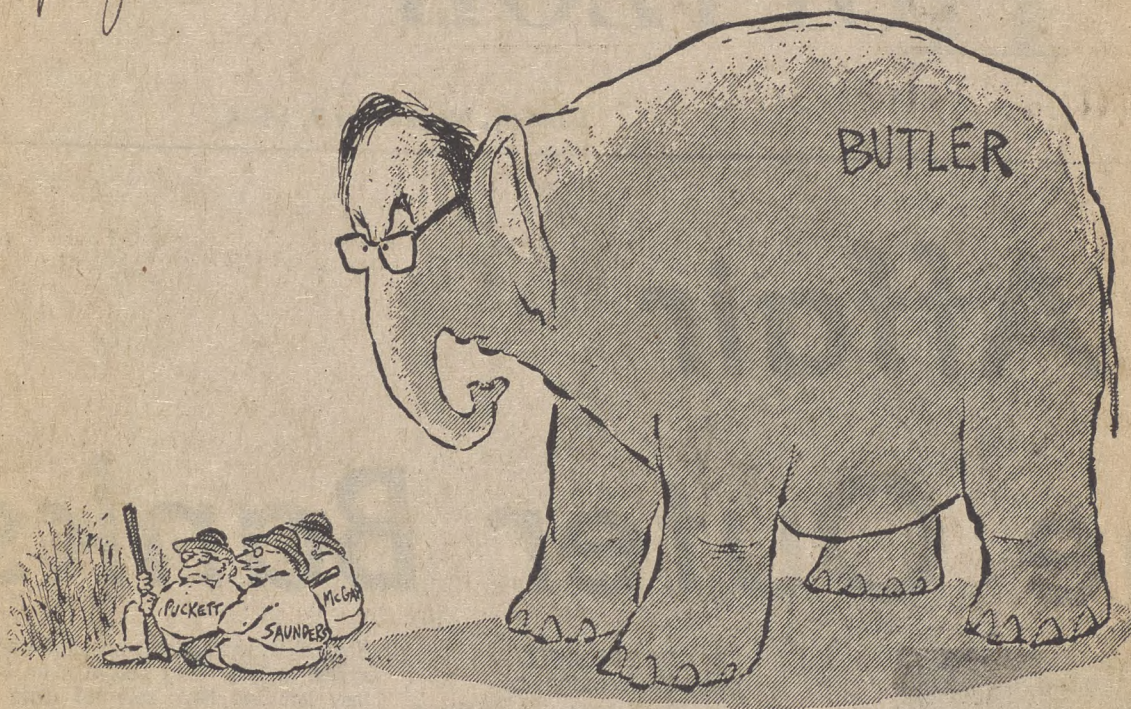
As part of the Seventh District, Nelson County voters will choose between Democratic challenger George H. Gilliam and incumbent Rep. J. Kenneth Robinson.

In addition to voting on the Sixth District race and the constitutional amendment, Amherst County voters also will decide whether or not they want their stores open on Sunday and whether or not they want alcohol sold by the drink in the county.



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'Aaahh, it'll be a cinch. I hear the elephant hunting  
is easy this year!'



## Vote YES

For that altogether happy and superior breed of people who agree with *The Roanoke Times*, the problem at the voting booth Tuesday is very simple. All they have to do is vote Yes.

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If they vote Yes to the constitutional amendment they will help keep Virginia's private colleges alive; and thus insure against having to enlarge state colleges to replace them. The amendment would enable the General Assembly to set up a plan offering tuition grants or loans to students attending Virginia private colleges. Religious training would *not* be provided for.

If they vote Yes on the blue law statement, they will vote to continue today's very liberalized blue law. At the same time they will be voting against letting all the bars down and turning Sunday into just another dreary day of the week.

If they vote for Rep. M. Caldwell Butler, Republican, they will have to vote for him by name but they can be thinking Yes. He has earned re-election by his work in Washington.



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### Why Bother?

Why bother to vote tomorrow anyway?

It may not be the most crucial election in history, but look at it this way: at stake is your one and only "voice" in the U.S. House of Representatives, your one and only "ear" in the State Senate and half of your "eyes" in the Virginia House of Delegates.

In an age when elected officials have an increasing impact on your wages and the prices you pay, the extent to which you can drive your car, and how the products you use are manufactured, can you really afford not to vote? That's the fundamental question.

But, you may say, isn't one vote merely another drop in the whole gigantic bucket? Wasn't the margin of victory in the 1972 presidential election more than 18 million votes, about the size of the entire population of New York State?

Try telling that to the Connecticut man whose recent bid for City Council left him in a 254-254 tie, and who eventually defeated his incumbent opponent in the runoff 285-284 — one vote.

An even more dramatic example of what can happen when people don't bother to vote occurred in a 1971 contest for the Virginia House of Delegates. Shortly before the polls closed, candidate William Moss greeted a young couple arriving at a precinct voting place. The couple assured Moss of their support, but said that because it was time to feed their baby they would be unable to stand in the long line waiting to vote. When the ballots were counted, Moss fell short of victory — by one vote.

Five decisions await your arrival at the polls on Tuesday. One of them involves the congressional race in which three candidates hope to unseat Rep. M. Caldwell Butler (whom *The News-Virginian* has endorsed for re-election). Two others involve seats in the Gener

Assembly, with a pair of candidates seeking each.

In addition, you will be asked to vote "Yes" or "No" on two questions. One is a proposed constitutional amendment which would permit the General Assembly to authorize state grants for Virginia students attending independent colleges within the Commonwealth (*The News-Virginian* has endorsed a "Yes" vote).

The other is a local-option referendum dealing with the Sunday-closing law. Because the wording of this question invites confusion, each voter should review the implications before he goes to the polls. If you favor *limited* Sunday selling as now practiced, vote "Yes." If you favor *unlimited* Sunday selling, vote "No." Vote however you wish, but guard against being misled by the cumbersome phraseology.

Polls will be open tomorrow from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. Let your voice be heard!



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Roanoke, Virginia, Monday, November 4, 1974

# Light turnout of voters expected in valley

Commonwealth of Virginia  
SAMPLE BALLOT  
County of Roanoke  
GENERAL ELECTION  
Tuesday, November 5, 1974

Member  
House of Representatives  
Sixth District

(Vote for not more than one.)  
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Timothy A. McGay ☐

Warren D. Saunders ☐

Paul Puckett ☐

M. Caldwell Butler ☐

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SPECIAL ELECTION  
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Special Election

Proposed Sewer Bond

QUESTION: Shall the Board of Supervisors of Roanoke County contract a debt in the amount of \$8,700,000.00 and issue general obligation bonds of said County of the aggregate maximum amount of \$8,700,000.00, pursuant to the Public Finance Act, to finance the cost of sanitary sewer facilities to be part of a County-wide sanitary sewer system, including the acquisition of sanitary sewer facilities owned by the Roanoke County Public Service Authority, the acquisition and construction of additions thereto and the reconstruction and extension thereof?

Yes ☐

No ☐

Commonwealth of Virginia  
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SPECIAL ELECTION  
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Special Election  
Board of Supervisors

Cave Spring Magisterial District  
For Unexpired Term  
To December 31, 1975

(Vote for not more than one.)  
P.C. 6

Thomas H. Beasley, Jr. ☐

## By OZZIE OSBORNE Political Writer

A relatively light turnout is expected tomorrow when 6th District voters pick a congressman from a four-man field that has made the ailing economy the campaign's No. 1 issue.

There are predictions that the vote will fall below 100,000. The district has 201,781 registered voters, with more than 40 per cent living in the Roanoke Valley.

In addition, voters in the 6th will help decide on a constitutional amendment that would allow the state to give grants to Virginia students attending

private colleges in Virginia. Now such students may only get loans.

And voters in several counties and cities, including those in the Roanoke Valley, will decide whether they want to keep—or opt out from under—the state's controversial Sunday closing legislation, popularly known as the Blue Laws.

Of strictly local interest is a four-way race for Cave Spring supervisor and a \$14.8 million sewage and water bond issue referendum in Roanoke County.

In the race for the Cav



Spring seat on the Roanoke County Board of Supervisors are Arthur Whittaker, Republican, Mrs. May Johnson, Democrat, and Posey Oyler and Thomas Beasley, independents.

The special election will decide who's to fill out the term of the late J. Thomas Engleby III.

Polls in the Roanoke Valley, as throughout Virginia, will be open tomorrow from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Even though the congressional race has candidates spanning the political spectrum, the race has stirred little voter interest, with the candidates themselves saying that apathy is widespread.

The candidates are:

Rep. M. Caldwell Butler, 49-year-old Roanoke lawyer who was elected to two terms in 1972—a full two-year term and a short term that resulted when Richard H. Poff left office before his full term was out.

Timothy McGay, independent running for public office for the first time. The 29-year-old McGay raises beef cattle on a farm in Marble Valley in Augusta County.

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Whitehurst—\$1,920 from a Whitehurst for Congress breakfast. Richards—Democratic Committee of Norfolk, \$1,300; United Auto Workers, \$1,000. Schlitz—Democratic Congressional Campaign Fund, \$1,000. Puckett—Women's Democratic Club of Roanoke, \$1,000; Political Education Paper Workers International Union, \$1,000. Robinson—Oral Surgery Political Action Committee, \$1,000. Wampler—Virginia Medical Association, \$2,000 for a total of \$8,000; American Conservative Union, \$1,000; Washington County Republican Committee, \$3,645; Volunteers for Better Government, \$1,000; and \$2,750 from various coal mine operators. Horne—United Steelworkers, \$1,000; and \$5,000 from various mine owners. Broyhill—Real Estate Political Action Committee, \$2,000; National Restaurant Association, \$1,000.

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# Congressional Candidates

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## Give Position on Inflation

For this last day before election, The News-Virginian asked each of the candidates for the Sixth Congressional District seat in the U.S. House of Representatives to provide a short statement on the following question:

What steps do you think should be taken against rising inflation and what steps do you propose to take if you are elected?

The answers of Republican M. Caldwell Butler and Independent Timothy A. McGay are printed in full below. Promised answers from Democrat Paul Puckett and the American Party's Warren D. Saunders did not arrive.

M. Caldwell Butler, Republican (incumbent) — "Generally: balance the budget, end deficit spending, encourage productivity and encourage development of domestic energy resources.

"Specifically: require an inflationary impact statement to accompany legislative proposals; establish a spending ceiling at or below the level of anticipated revenues; complete action on trade reform legislation; and reduce foreign aid to a minimum;

"Enact tax reform legislation, including the following: close loopholes, a meaningful minimum tax, reduction of tax

burden for low income, windfall profits tax encouraging domestic production, curtail foreign depletion allowances, increase tax investment credit, and deductions or exemptions for interest on savings;

"Accelerate development of off-shore oil deposits and naval petroleum reserves; deregulate the price of natural gas; step up research into alternate energy sources; amend the Clean Air Act to facilitate conversion to coal; remove remaining restrictions on agricultural production; enact fertilizer allocation legislation, protecting domestic consumption; lower import quotas on beef and impose export quotas on scarce domestic products; and

"Free the small businessman from the red tape of useless government regulations."

Timothy A. McGay, Independent — "There are two types of inflation: Demand-pull inflation (energy and some food products) — in this case my idea would be to stimulate production. The other type of inflation, which is our major problem right now, is called cost-push inflation. The government's role there would be to simulate the

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competitive market condition with 1.) excess profit tax, which is difficult to manage and will only be effective if administered along with tough anti-trust laws.

"2.) I would look at some type of legislation to require margins on credit purchases. This margin would be flexible so you could increase it gradually to achieve what you are trying to achieve on credit purchases.

"For the government share in the inflation problem I would demand a balanced budget and insist on good management in the spending of tax dollars.

"I would go along with President Ford's proposal to not tax the first \$1,000 interest on savings and would take a look at this to see if it would encourage people to save. The government in financing deficit spending competes for interest money. By balancing the budget the government would not compete for interest money.

"I would demand not only responsibility in government but responsibility in labor and business. For example: it is irresponsible when labor can demand wage increases while productivity is decreasing, and this situation has a tremendous inflationary pressure. It is irresponsible when business can 'rip off' the consumer for profits as high as 1,200 per cent as oil companies and a sugar beet producer have done.

"I encourage the competitive free enterprise system to work."



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THOMAS R. HOEPPNER, left, president of Sath Book Shop Inc., a store featuring a wide variety of books which will open Nov. 23 at Staunton Plaza, chats with U.S. Rep. M. Caldwell Butler, who helped him secure a SBA loan to finance the store.



# Republicans 'running scared'

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in some areas to a broad variety of other issues facing the voters.

These include the selection of constitutional officers and members of local governing bodies, proposed capital improvement bonds and the sale of mixed alcoholic beverages.

In 31 counties and 26 cities, the touchy question of local repeal of the state's Sunday closing law will compete for attention with the congressional races.

The only statewide issue involves a constitutional amendment to permit using taxpayer money to aid financially hardpressed private colleges and universities in Virginia.

Voters in the western part of the state will fill single vacancies in the Virginia House and Senate.

In their ambition to regain the state congressional majority they held for more than a half-century, the Democrats are eyeing most covetously the southwestern 9th District and the 8th and 10th districts in Northern Virginia.

But neither are they conceding any of the others.

Most likely to be the political ebb tide for the GOP is the 9th District, where some observers claim Republican Rep. William C. Wampler is reeling on the ropes in his effort to blunt the fierce bid by Democrat Charles J. Horne of Abingdon.

In many respects, the campaign issues and tactics in the 9th parallel those elsewhere across the state.

Horne, the self-made millionaire with the undisputed advantage of being a coal miner's son in a mining district, has blasted what he calls Republican ineptness in handling economic problems and challenged Wampler's responsiveness to the plight of working people.

As it has in other districts, this "throw the rascals out" approach has put Wampler on the defensive, forcing him to defend his voting record, stress the value of his seniority and try to blame inflation on overspending by Democrat-controlled congresses.

Finding himself in much the same position is Republican Rep. Stanford E. Parris, engaged in a tight contest with Democrat Herbert E. Harris, vice

chairman of the Fairfax Board of Supervisors.

Despite Parris' insistence that the fiscal conservatism he and his GOP colleagues practice in Washington is just the right anti-inflation medicine the nation needs, Fitzpatrick said, "We're counting on the 8th District as a victory."

What may be the toughest political fight of his long career is being waged in the adjacent 10th District by Republican Rep. Joel T. Broyhill, the dean of the state's congressional delegation seeking his 12th term.

Challenging the multimillionaire real estate developer is Democrat Joseph L. Fisher, a professional economist and longtime member of the Arlington County Board.

The Republicans appear a little more confident about the outcome in the sprawling 7th District, where Rep. J. Kenneth Robinson is seeking a 3rd term.

His aggressive opponent is Democrat George H. Gilliam, a Charlottesville city councilman who claims he's running neck and neck with Robinson and will win by getting a majority of the district's undecided vote.

In the 6th District, Republican Rep. M. Caldwell Butler isn't expected to suffer any significant loss of support because of his vote as a member of the House Judiciary Committee to impeach former President Nixon.

It would be an upset of major proportion if the victory went to Democrat Paul J. Puckett, sheriff of Butler's hometown of Roanoke. Sharing the 6th District ballot is independent candidate Warren D. Saunders.

Neither is a 3-way race expected to interrupt the congressional career of Republican Robert W. Daniel in the southside 4th District.

His opponents are Democratic Del. Lester E. Schlitz of Portsmouth and the Rev. Curtis W. Harris, a black independent from Hopewell.

Republican Rep. G. William Whitehurst of the Tidewater 2nd District has been a longtime popular vote-getter. This isn't expected to change in his race against Democrat Robert R. Richards of Norfolk.

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STAVWON NEWS LEADER

## Butler wins

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## in school vote

The blue law was both approved and rejected today in mock elections at John Lewis Junior High School.

In a vote by 539 students, the Blue Law was defeated by a margin of 88. However, in a subsequent election of the faculty, the controversial Sunday closing law was retained.

GOP incumbent U.S. Rep. M. Carlwell Butler scored decisive victories in both the faculty and student polls. In the student vote, Rep. Butler's closest opponent was Warren

D. Saunders who still trailed by 96 votes. The faculty awarded second position to Democrat Paul Puckett.

Republican Arthur R. Giesen was the victor for the 24th Senatorial District seat in both elections. His opponent, Democrat Frank W. Nolen, lost by small margins.

In the 15th Legislative District seat in the House of Delegates, Erwin S. Solomon outpolled his Republican challenger Gordon W. Poindexter in the faculty vote, but lost by two votes in the student election.



## Light turnout forecast for Lynchburg

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# City, area voters to pick congressman

By DOROTHY S. BROOKS

Veteran political observers in the city have estimated that less than half of the registered voters will go to the polls Tuesday to vote on their Sixth District congressman, the Sunday blue law issue and a constitutional amendment.

The polls will open at 6 a.m. and close at 7 p.m. and results of the election here are expected to be known by 7:45 p.m. Returns from the city's 17 precincts will be called in to the Lynchburg Public Library.

Meanwhile, area voters will be deciding on a variety of

issues, ranging from the congressional issue for their district and the constitutional amendment question to the blue law issue and liquor by the drink.

In the four-way race for the Sixth District congressional seat, incumbent Republican Rep. M. Caldwell Butler appears to have an edge over his Democratic opponent Paul J. Puckett and American Party candidate Warren D. Saunders. Independent candidate Timothy A. McGay isn't seen as a significant factor in the election.

There are 25,079 registered

voters in the city or 206 less than the 25,285 registered to vote in the 1972 Presidential and congressional election.

The number registered to vote Tuesday is only 24 more than were registered for the councilmanic race earlier this year.

A total of 18,112 Lynchburgers actually voted in the Nov. 7, 1972 election and 10,220 persons voted in the 1974 council election.

City Registrar Edythe M. Geipel said today she does not expect the voter turnout Tuesday to be any larger than in the council race unless the




# SAMPLE BALLOT

COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

CITY OF LYNCHBURG

General Election

Tuesday, November 5, 1974

1. Move the Red Handle to the Right Until the Bell Rings.
2. Turn Down Pointer  over Name of Each Candidate for Whom You Wish to Vote. Leave the Pointers down.
3. ONLY After Completing Your Vote — Move the Red Handle to the Left.

## PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT

QUESTION: Shall Section 11 of Article VIII of the Constitution of Virginia be amended so as to allow grants to or on behalf of students attending nonprofit institutions of higher education and to empower the General Assembly to permit the State or any political subdivision thereof to contract with nonprofit institutions of higher education for the provision of educational or other related services?



YES

NO

## SUNDAY CLOSING LAW

QUESTION: Shall the provisions of § 18.1-363.1 of the Code of Virginia (commonly known as the Sunday Closing Law) be effective in the City of Lynchburg?



YES

NO

## MEMBER HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES SIXTH DISTRICT

(Vote for not more than one.)



2A

TIMOTHY A.  
McGAY



4A

WARREN D.  
SAUNDERS



2B

PAUL  
PUCKETT



2C

M. CALDWELL  
BUTLER

## MACHINE BALLOT —

Lynchburgers face this ballot on voting machines Tuesday when they go to the polls to elect a Sixth District congressman and decide on a constitutional amendment and whether they want to do away with the Sunday blue laws. The amendment would allow state grants to students in private colleges. The polls open at 6 a.m. and close at 7 p.m.



Sunday closing law issue brings out an unusually heavy vote.

She said 157 absentee ballots were requested for Tuesday's election and that all but 17 have been returned. Saturday was the last day for persons to cast their absentee ballots in person at the city registrar's office. Some could still be received in the mail.

A total of 1,043 absentee ballots were cast in the Nov. 7, 1972 election and 90 absentee ballots were cast in the May 7 council race this year.

On the Sunday Closing Law (blue law) issue, Lynchburgers voting "yes" on the ballot will be voting to keep the present law in effect. A "no" vote would be a vote for its repeal.

The question on the proposed constitutional amendment is whether the state constitution shall be amended so as to allow grants to or on behalf of students attending private (nonprofit) institutions of higher education and to empower the General Assembly to permit the state or any political subdivision thereof to contract with those institutions for the provision of educational or other related services.

During the 1972 election, Butler carried the city of Lynchburg by a nearly two-to-one margin over his closest opponent, Roanoker Willis M. (Wick) Andersons.

This year Butler isn't expected to suffer any significant loss of support because of his vote as a member of the House Judiciary Committee to impeach former President Richard M. Nixon.

Most veteran political observers say it would be an upset of major proportion if the victory went to Democratic candidate Puckett, who is sheriff of Butler's home city of Roanoke, or American Party candidate Saunders who is from Bedford County. McGay is a Goshen farmer.

Puckett and Saunders are expected to pull in a lot of votes between them but McGay has been staging only a token campaign.

Puckett and Saunders have both been working hard to unseat Butler.

Puckett, 56, has been emphasizing economic reforms and has suggested several ways in which to defeat the inflation problem.

Puckett has suggested specifically balancing the federal budget by reducing spending, maintaining a flow of money from the Federal Reserve Bank to assure the production of goods and services and other measures.

Puckett has been endorsed by several labor units and is

expected to receive most of the labor vote in the area.

Saunders has said that balancing the budget but cutting spending and sharply curtailing foreign aid would do much to curtail inflation. Saunders, 35, is president of a fertilizer supply firm. He employed a Roanoke firm to handle his campaign.

Butler, 49, has said he favors reduction of fiscal 1975 federal spending to \$300 billion and elimination of deficit spending after that. He also has called for curtailment of depletion allowances for foreign investments.

Saunders actually will appear on the ballot as an independent since no provision was made for a third party candidate.

In area races, the items on the ballots range from a single issue in Appomattox County to four questions in Amherst County where voters will be voting on the liquor by the drink issue in addition to the

congressional race, blue law issue and the proposed constitutional amendment.

Appomattox voters will have only two items on the ballot and in the congressional race there Fifth District Rep. W. C. (Dan) Daniel is running unopposed. Voters there will vote on the constitutional amendment but not on the blue law issue.

Even though Daniel is running unopposed in Campbell and Pittsylvania counties, local issues have been added to these ballots.

In Campbell County, along with the constitutional amendment, voters will decide whether or not they want to keep the blue law.

In Pittsylvania County, the voters will decide the fate of a proposed \$2 million school bond issue for the construction of a vocational center.

Voters in Bedford County and Bedford City, will be vot-

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Warren D. Saunders



Paul J. Puckett



Timothy A. McGay



M. Caldwell Butler

# THE DAILY ADVANCE

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## Butler wins mock elections at three high schools

Sixth District Rep. M. Caldwell Butler, who is seeking re-election Tuesday as a Republican, has won mock elections in Buffalo Gap, Ft. Defiance and Waynesboro high schools during the past week.

In Buffalo Gap, Butler won with 62.5 per cent of the vote with American Party Candidate Warren D. Saunders running second with 20.5 per cent of the vote. Independent Candidate Timothy A. McGay was in third place with 9 per cent of the votes and Democrat Paul J. Puckett ran last with 8

per cent of the vote.

Voting in the Buffalo Gap election were members of the senior government classes.

At Ft. Defiance High School, social studies students gave

Butler 51.3 per cent of their votes while Puckett was second with 25.5 per cent. Saunders placed third with 16.3 per cent of the vote and McGay was last with 6.9 per cent.

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### schools

In Waynesboro, some 500 students gave Butler 39.4 per cent of the total vote. Saunders came in second with 34.9 per cent and Puckett was third with 16.3 per cent. McGay ran last with 9.4 per cent of the vote.



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## Today's election will guide Waynesboro

WAYNESBORO — Directors of the Greater Waynesboro Retail Merchants Association voted Monday to be guided by the outcome of today's vote on the Sunday closing law in deciding whether or not their businesses will be open on Sunday.

The action was taken during a regular meeting on a resolution which urges association members and the public to vote on the blue law issue today.

On another matter, the organization voted in favor of further review of a promotional project offered by a New York firm which specializes in promotions with a centennial or anniversary theme.

President Lawrence Creasy said the firm, Rogers Company, suggested a promotion based on Waynesboro's 275th anniversary in 1975. However, added Mr. Creasy, these figures do not correspond with records of the local chamber.

It was suggested that the matter be referred to the Fall Foliage Festival board of directors. Mr. Creasy said he thinks such a promotion would be "a shot in the arm of what the festival needs".

The directors also voted to use the stories from a book, the Trees of Christmas, in radio ads for Christmas sales promotion. The book tells "the real story of Christmas", said Mr. Creasy, in each of 23 countries.

News releases will soon be out on plans for the association's Christmas parade Dec. 7. Mr. Creasy said that two cartoon characters from King's Dominion as well as "Big Bird" from Sesame Street and a character connected with a hamburger restaurant chain have been engaged for the Christmas parade.

Calling the association's recent actions to persuade City Council to reduce the number of new parking meters installed downtown "a long struggle", Mr. Creasy said the association had not yet received an acceptance or rejection from the city on the association's offer to provide signs for all-day parking in the east urban renewal lot.